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Sun rises, 6h. 25m. Sun sets, 6h. 3m. High water, 1-33m., 2-1a. Low water, 7-38m., 7-44a. 7-48 a.
Bombay Foxhounds meet, at Iria.
Departure of General Nairne for Karachi.
P. and O. s. s. Carthage, with English mails of 5th instant due to arrive, 6 p.m.

LECTURE.—A lecture on "The Indwelling of the Spirit" will be delivered at the Mission Hall, Girgaum, at 6 this evening, by Lieut.-Col. Freeman.

POSTAL NOTICE.—Mails for Singapore, China and Japan per extra s. s. Idzumi Maru, will be closed at the General Post Office at 4 P.M., on Monday, the 22nd instant.

MADRAS DACOITS IN BOMBAY.—Before Mr. P.H. Dastur, Third Presidency Magistrate, at the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, Thakan Allahi Mohidin Chatty and Cunumparats Kirpadin Mohidin Chatty, two Maplas from Madras, were placed on a charge of committing dacoity with two others at Manjeri. Accused were arrested by the local police under instructions from the Madras police. They have been remanded to the jail.

LECTURE ON PLAGUE.—A public lecture will be delivered by Mr. Dadabhai Jivaji Sonavala in Gujarati at the Bhavatsky Lodge, Theosophical Society, Bombay Branch, 37, Hornby Road, Fort, to-morrow (Sunday), at 5 p.m. Subject: "The Plague." During the course of the lecture the well-known theosophist Mr Tookaram Tatya's treatment of bubonic fever by chromopathy or the science of healing diseases by colours will be explained.

DAMAUN NOTES.—The District Judge, Mr. Viegas, who has been for the last five months on leave, has been transferred as Judge at Salsette in Goa, and Mr. Albert Osorio de Castro has been appointed the Daman Judge of Damaun. Mr. Quadros, who has acted as the Government Advocate and Public Prosecutor of the District Court here for the last three years, has been transferred to a higher post in Panjim, and Mr. Leandro Augusto Gomes de Barros comes here in his place.

CRUSHED UNDER THE DEBRIS OF A FIRE TEMPLE WALL.—Gainoo Damaji, a labourer, aged thirty-five years, residing at Lisle Road, was on Thursday afternoon engaged in digging awaya hill at Naroli-wady, which has been purchased by the Municipality for the purpose of filling in the new grave-yard, when he exposed a portion of the foundation of a fire temple wall, which gave way and fell on him, crushing him to death At an inquest held by Mr. Turner, the coroner, on the spot, yesterday, a verdict of accidental death was recorded.

FIRE DEAT LISLE ROAD.—A cadjan shed used for stabling bullaloes and belonging to one Syad Hosein at De Lisle Road, was discovered to be on fire on Sunday last and the animals were burnt to the ground before the DeLisle Road manual could be brought into requisition. A Purdesee woman, named Jaukee, aged thirty years sustained some burns on her right arm while releasing her animals, which were tied in the shed. The origin of the fire is attributed to careless "chillum" smoking. The damage is estimated at Rs. 40.

A LOVING COUPLE.—Mr. J. Sanders-Slater, Chief Presidency Magistrate yesterday heard the charge of assault preferred against Hormasji Rustomji Mistry by his wife Awabai. Mr. Kapadia, barrister at law conducted the prosecution while Mr. Calain solicitor defended the accused. It was alleged that complainant was married to the accused about three or four months ago during which period they lived unhappily. The wife received a letter from her nephew on the 10th instant. The accused suspected that it contained a love affair and on the 12th instant he became angry, struck her, kicked and knocked her down. The defence suggested that the woman tried to poison him. The magistrate in convicting the accused remarked that the assault had been committed by the accused and he was fined Rs. 25.

NOTORIOUS BURGLARS CAUGHT IN THE ACT.—At the Alexandra Police Court, yesterday, Shankar Gopal alias Cushia Gopal and Bheewa Dhaloo, old offenders each having records of two and three previous convictions against them were charged at the instance of Constable Mehta, before Mr. W. R. Hamilton, Second Presidency Magistrate, with house-breaking by night and theft of a dhotur, a turban and four silver idols, collectively valued at Rs. 29, the property of Salobai a woman, residing at Mogalwadi. The prosecutor locked the door of her room about a month ago and went to reside in Uran, where on Friday the 12th instant she received certain information, in consequence of which she returned to Bombay and found that her room had been broken open and the property stolen. It appears that on the previous night one Ramji Musnaji, a carpenter, residing in a room next to that of the complainant, noticed a light in the latter's room. He at once went downstairs and informed his neighbours who with the landlord, all of whom then went upstairs and shown the light burning in the woman's room through a window. Having satisfied themselves that there was some one in the room, they informed the police, Inspector Sanjana and Constable Mehta at once proceeded to the spot and having collected a "punch," broke open the door of the complainant's room. While the police were thus engaged in making their entry the accused who was in the room within, attempted to escape through the back door but seeing that that way was blocked by a number of persons, the thieves closed the door and having fastened it from inside, concealed the property in the thatch at the roof of the room. The police searched the room and discovered the two accused in their place of hiding with the stolen property concealed underneath their persons. A chisel and a nail with which the door was broken open was also found lying near them. A number of wearing apparel and other articles were found strewn about the room. The first accused denied the charge stating that he was not arrested in the room but was standing outside the house in a crowd of people where the police arrested him. No. 2 admitted his guilt. His Worship convicted both the offenders, and as they were old hands, sentenced them to two year's rigorous imprisonment each.

BOMBAY JACKAL CLUB.

POINT-TO-POINT RACES AND GYMKHANA.

To be held at Sana Cruz on Saturday, 13th March.
Committee: Mr. F. C. Allen, Capt. A. T. Butler R.A., Mr. H. E. E. Procter, Mr J H Symington, Capt A. G Weldon, Royal Dublin Fusiliers, Mr. H M Stuart, M F H and Mr G. H. Townsend, Hony. Secretary.

Event No. 1.—The Omnium Gatherum Paper Chase.—Open to Members of Bombay Hunt, Bombay Gymkhana, Light Horse and the Services, for all Horses, Gallaways and Ponies. Catch-weights, two Cups will be given to the first and second past the post.

General conditions will be notified to the competitors at the start. Entrance, Rs 5.

Event No. 2.—The Hunt Cup for Horses—About 3 miles Catch-weights English and Walers, 12 st 7 lbs and over. Arabs and Country-breds, 10 st 7 lbs and over Owners up Entrance, Rs 5 Prize—A Cup

Event No. 3.—The Hunt Cup for Galloways and Ponies 14 hands and under.—About 3 miles, English and Walers, 14 hands, 12 st. Arabs and Country-breds, 14 hands, 11 st 13 lbs and under allowed 7 lbs Entrance, Rs 5 Prize—A Cup Owners up

Event No. 4.—Jumping Competitions—(a) For Horses, (b) For Galloways and Ponies 14 hands and under. Entrance Rs 2. Prizes—Two Cups.

RULES.

1 Events Nos 2 and 3 are open to Horses, Galloways, and Ponies, regularly hunted this season, and must be ridden by the Owner.

3 The Committee to have full discretion as to accepting or rejecting any entry. W. I. T. C. and Polo Ground entries accepted.

4. Competitors in the Point-to-Point Races will be provided with instructions as to the course, at the Starting Post.

5. In Events Nos. 2 and 3 half entries to go to the second horse and half to the Fund. Colours must be worn.

6. All questions arising in connection with this meeting will be decided by the Committee, whose decision will be final.

7. Entries to be made on or before Tuesday, the 9th March, 1897, to

G. H. TOWNSEND,
Honorary Secretary.

19th February.

NOTICE.

Arrangements will be made for a Special Train leaving Colaba about 3 p.m. and calling at Intermediate stations to Grant Road, which will convey members and guests to Santa Cruz.

This train will return to Bombay at the conclusion of the Races.

Members wishing to invite guests are requested to send in names and addresses to the Honorary Secretary, who will issue all invitations.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.

THE following are the entries for to-day's races:—

YACHTS RACE; to start at 3-30 p.m.

Yacht's name	Entered by
Nautch	Mr C T R Orvell.
Turquoise	Mr E S Luard.
Melody	Capt S J Chamier.
Maudlin	Capt W W Tew Whan.
Kismet	Mr W P Symonds.
Eileen	Lieut R St J Gillespie

SHIPS' BOATS RACE; to start at 3-45 p.m.

Ship's name	Entered by
H M S Magdala Cutter ...	Lieut H H Richardson, R N
R I M Dockyar: Cutter ...	Mr A Monk
R I M S Mayo's Cutter ...	Lieut R C I Lazenleye.
R I M S Canning's Life Boat,	Lieut N F J Wilson.
R I M S Canning's Cutter ...	Lieut D F Vines.
S S Afghan's Gig	Coadr R Baron.
S S Mobile's Jolly Boat ...	Capt E J Boan.

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS.

THE following is a list of messages remaining undelivered in the Central Telegraph Office, Bombay during the week ending 18th February:—

Station from	Address in full as received.
Calcutta	Layur Gaartstein, Foulem Road No 65
Lucknow Combd ...	Percy E Dallinger, Esq, Hony Secy, Lahore and Mian Mir Dog Show
Secunderabad	Mrs Romanjee Naseerwanjee Chenoy
Calcutta	J M Bell, Esq
Lahore	Messrs Pitt and Scott
Meerut	Mr N Kaufman, Prema Photographic Company No 64 Kalkadevi Road
Goa	Mr Ignacio J Rodrigues, Peer Bri Mango's
Gondal B G J P ...	Shapoorji Framjee Cooper, Esq, Cama Street, Fort
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NEWS OF THE DAY.

DR. R. MACLEOD, Protector of Emigrants, Calcutta, proceeds home shortly, his appointment falling to Dr. W. Forsyth, Surgeon-Captain Oldham, Deputy Sanitary Commissioner, Bengal, will temporarily discharge the duties of Health Officer of Calcutta Port vice Dr. Forsyth.

THE prohibition regarding the export of raw hides from Calcutta hits the local German firms most directly, as they are chiefly engaged in the business. They have telegraphed to Berlin offering to bear all expenses of an expert who, it is suggested, should be sent out to see that the hides are so cured scientifically as to obviate all risk of their carrying plague germs.

MR. ROBERTSON, Chief Engineer of the East Indian Railway, has accepted the appointment of President of the Egyptian Railway Board.

COLONEL PROTHEROE will, we understand, succeed General John Gordon as Assistant Military Secretary for Indian Affairs at the Horse Guards.

THE Indian Tea Association has issued returns showing that the crop for 1896 was about 148,217,000 pounds, or over two million more pounds than was estimated in the autumn.

THE arrangement for the reliefs of the Chitral garrison will be on the lines similar to those of last year; tribal transport being employed beyond Chakdarah. Supplies will be collected along the route.

THE committee which has been sitting at Calcutta to consider the question of the reserve of officers for the Indian Army has completed its labours, and its recommendations will now be submitted to Government.

THE Calcutta Port-Commissioners have considered a letter from the Government of India approving the Commissioners' proposals for turning to the best account the existing accommodation of the Port, and sanctioning the raising of a debenture loan of 15 lakhs. The Commissioners resolved that the Traffic Manager should be called upon to submit a report on the details for working the docks and jetties under the new scheme, and that the report be referred for consideration to the Special Committee who previously reported on the scheme.

OF 71 persons detained at the Chinsurah isolation hospital, 63 were permitted to leave on Sunday, the remaining six being detained for further observation. On the same day five were detained at Khana hospital. A case of fever, accompanied with glandular swellings, occurred at Konnagore, but Dr. R. L. Dutt has pronounced it a case of simple fever.

THE Special Docks and Jetties Sub-Committee of the Calcutta Chamber of Commerce have reported upon the proposals of Mr. McDonald, of Messrs. Barlow and Company, as an alternative to the scheme for transferring the export trade to the docks. They consider that no scheme which involves the attempt to struggle with imports and exports in the same sheds can possibly give general satisfaction. So long as liners discharge and load in the same berths so long will the confusion and delay which have been so much complained of continue. The scheme which has now been finally adopted meets the difficulty, while that put forward by Mr. McDonald fails to do so.

THE Bishop of Madras has issued a circular letter to the clergy of the diocese to have offertories and collections in their churches for the Famine Relief Fund on the first Sunday in March, being the first Sunday in Lent. This Lordship also recommends "that in view of the twofold judgment with which God has now visited the land of India, famine and pestilence, you may make use in public prayer of one of the prayers appointed for the time of dearth and famine and the prayer for any kind of plague or sickness. The wording of those collects," he adds, "may be such as scientific men would not compose in the present day, but in them the great truths of revelation are affirmed."

ONE result of appointing a vakil as Acting Advocate-General in Madras, according to the local correspondent, is that the Government has had to pass an order authorising Mr. Powell, a barrister, to appear with the Acting Advocate-General in cases on the Original Side of the High Court, in which the Secretary of State is party, as Government pleader. Mr. Powell's appearances on behalf of the Government have been confined to the Appellate Court. The procedure now authorised is to allow the Government Solicitor to instruct a barrister on the Original Side and thus secure counsel's costs. At present the High Court on the Original Side does not allow vakil's costs in cases wherein solicitors appear. By the Government order referred to the Judges on the Original Side will now be able to allow counsel's fee for Mr. Powell's appearances and in special cases vakil's fees for the Acting Advocate-General's appearance.

THE number of persons receiving famine relief in Bengal last Saturday was just under 294,000, or an increase of 28,000 during the week. The season reports states that good and general rain fell in Mehar and Chota Nagpur, with showers in north and south-west Bengal. The rain has benefited the standing crops, but has slightly injured the pulses, which are ripe or being harvested. It has also facilitated ploughing for aus (autumn rice) and jute, which is in progress in several districts of Bengal proper. In Palamau there was a severe storm with hail on the 11th, and some damage to rabi crops is reported.

MR CARMICHAEL, the second engineer of the steamer Medusa, was drowned at Bangkok on the night of the 5th January. Having been ashore he returned on board, went to his cabin, and put on his pyjamas. Coming out again to bathe on the bulwark of the officers he was about to leap against the bulwark as the open gangway, but missing the corner he fell overboard. The body was recovered on the evening of the 7th.

THE Simla Municipality have, it is understood, addressed the Punjab Government regarding the deficient water-supply of the station as exemplified during last summer. They suggest the building of a new reservoir and a storage tank at a cost of between two or three lakhs of rupees. This step seems urgently needed now that the railway from Kalka is about to be undertaken, as the population of Simla is bound to increase yearly.

THE following twelve teams have entered for the Native Cavalry Polo Tournament opening at Umballa on the 20th instant:—The 4th, 6th, 12th, 16th, and 17th Bengal Cavalry; the 9th, 10th, 11th, 14th, and 18th Bengal Lancers; the 2nd Punjab Cavalry, and the 2nd Central India Horse. For the Inter Regimental Polo Tournament, opening at Meerut on the 2nd March, the following eight teams have entered:—The 4th and 5th Dragoon Guards; the 4th, 11th and 18th Hussars; the 5th and 16th Lancers, and the Durham Light Infantry. The 16th Lancers and 18th Hussars teams are hard at practice at Jodhpur.

IT is stated that the amnesty in connexion with the death of the Empress-Dowager will probably be a measure of some magnitude. No distinction is to be made between political offenders and ordinary offenders; to both alike diminution or remission of sentence will be granted. Thus, persons lying under sentence of death will have their punishment changed to life imprisonment; life-prisoners will become term-prisoners; and term-prisoners will have their periods shortened by one-fourth or one-fifth. It follows that prisoners who have already served three-fourths, or four-fifths of their sentences, will be immediately released. More than ten thousand convicts are expected to emerge from jail in the last category. The measure is to extend to Hokkaido to Formosa, and to the Army and Navy.

EXPORTS of indigo from Calcutta have again adversely influenced the total value of exports from Calcutta to foreign countries during January. The total falling off was eighty-three lakhs, that under indigo amounting to eighty-one lakhs. Grain shipments decreased by over eleven lakhs, chiefly due to a smaller trade in rice with dal and peas. The quantity of cotton exported fell from 78,598 cwt. to 42,736 cwt., and smaller shipments of lac and seeds (oil) are also recorded. These decreases were partly met by a larger trade in raw jute, jute manufacture, opium, tea, and hides. To coast ports the quantity of grain and pulse sent away declined from 223,960 to 38,468 cwt. only. On the other hand, exports of coal advanced in quantity from 43,758 to 71,983 tons.

HERE is a story so curious as to fact and so quaint as to the fashion of telling that we reproduce it *verbatim* from *The Korean Independent*.—Kim Inkio of Changtan was infatuated with the wife of his neighbour, Pak Sukkio. Kim invited Pak to take a row in his boat; and when they were out on the river Kim threw Pak overboard. The murderer calmly came back and lived with Hak's wife. However, the deed was known to the people there who reported the facts to the magistrate. Kim was tried and found guilty. The Law Department sentenced Kim and Pak's wife to be hanged on December 26.

MR. F. E. ROBERTSON, Chief Engineer, East India Railway, goes to Egypt shortly as President, Egyptian Board of Railways. His salary will, it is understood, be 2,000 Egyptain pounds per annum.

FROM the 6th to the 13th instant, 5 Eurasians, 10 Native Christians, 268 Hindus, and 40 Mahomedans died within the Municipal limits of Madras, making a total of 323 persons. The average for the corresponding week of the ten previous years was 299. The deaths are thus classified:—3 from cholera, 1 from small-pox, 7 from measles, 117 from fevers, 49 from dysentery, 10 from diarrhœa, and 145 from other diseases. The death-rate in the week under notice was 37·1 per 1,000 per annum. The mean of the ten previous years was 34·4 per 1,000 per annum.

THE MUSALMAN GRAVE YARDS.

MEMORIAL TO THE COMMISSIONER.

THE following is the text of the petition referred to yesterday which has been sent to the Municipal Corporation for the City of Bombay by the Sunnee Musulman Community of Bombay through their elected representatives:—

Respectfully Sheweth,—1. That at a largely attended and throughly representative meeting of the above Community held at the Jama Masjid their principal place of religious worship in this City under the presidency of Shaik Mahomed Moorgay their Cazi or spiritual head on the 3rd instant to consider the question of the proposed removal of their existing cemeteries and to take such action with reference thereto as might be called for, certain resolutions were unanimously passed, in pursuance of which your Petitioners now submit this present, representation intending to submit if necessary a similar representation on the subject to the Government of Bombay.

2. That there are occasions when a Community is so vitally affected by a proposed course of action that the necessity of plain and candid speech is felt as laid upon it as a duty and your petitioners feel and believe that the present is eminently such occasion. They would therefore at the very outset respectfully bring it to the notice of all concerned that constituting fully one-third of the population of this city, they have received the proposal to close the existing cemeteries at Queens Road and Grant Road with feelings of unqualified disapproval and indignant concern and feelings all the more keen in view of the complete absence of any justifying circumstance for so bold, and your petitioners may state, outrageous a proposal.

3. That your petitioners also feel that a question which from its very nature is liable to be approached with more or less of racial prejudice and with a foregone conclusion ought not to be raised as a time when the calm and dispassionate consideration of it would be next to impossible in the existing state of public anxiety and alarm consequent upon the prevalence of a disastrous epidemic in the city. From the effects of this visitation, not a few of your petitioners have been the sufferers, and your petitioners feel it an aggravation of their present tribulation to find one of their most cherished and venerated institutions threatened. In the alleged interests of sanitary reform. This may seem of small account to those who profess to hold advanced views of urban sanitation all round; but your petitioners hope presently to show how little is the relation of cause and effect between any urban Mahomedan cemeteries and the prevailing plague or between the former and the general insanitary condition of this city.

4. That this obnoxious measure is urged to be necessitated by the unhappy prevalence of the bubonic fever. Your petitioners however submit confidently that the justification sought in this direction is based upon the merest conjecture, unsupported by a single fact or particle of evidence on the part of any constituted authority or even of the irresponsible and mostly anonymous critics who have ventured to suggest the existing burial grounds as the cause of, or their removal as the assured remedy for, the scourge which is now prevailing in this city. Your petitioners have looked and long for corporation will look in vain for any scintilla of evidence to prove that the Mahomedan burial grounds have directly or indirectly either been the cause of or an aggravating element in the existing epidemic. Even the eminent medical authorities who have either voluntarily or under the direction of the Government of India and other Governments investigated the subject to ascertain the cause or causes of the present visitation have not in any way connected the origin or continuance of the plague with any burial grounds at all.

5. That for the purposes of the present representation your petitioners are not concerned to speculate as to the originating cause or the condition favouring the continuance of the plague in this city, any more than in other parts of this Presidency. Both public voice and expert opinion have however already agreed as to the real influences which have been at work in the present visitation. It was the unanimous pronouncement that the attempt to fasten upon influences other than those so indicated is in your petitioners community and in other communities also coms to be regarded with suspicious distrust, as being an artful device to divert Public attention and indignation from quarters where they would be justly deserved. Your petitioners need hardly refer to the waterlogged condition of land, overcrowding, defective ventilation and condition of dwelling houses and chawls, defective drainage both subsoil and superficial and above all

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J. J. HEATON,
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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

FRIDAY EVENING, FEB. 19.

To the disorganization, not to say complete stagnation, of our trade in the presence of pestilence and famine, must now be added another adverse element in the feeling of anxiety induced by the political situation in Europe; and the position of business here shows few, if any, signs of amelioration. Cotton is neglected by European exporters, and also by the local Mills, many of which have ceased working for the present owing to the exodus of their hands, the principal transactions in this staple having been in purchases for Japan; while in Wheat and Seeds business is practically at a standstill pending the result of the Plague Conference at Venice. Rates of Exchange, after a slight advance upon our last quotations, have declined therefrom, and though they have recovered a little to-day, still close this evening 1/8d. lower for the Bank Paper, and 5-32d. for Credits than they ruled a week ago. Money remains very scarce; but the market is quiet. There is very little doing in Government Paper; but quotations may be called 5/8ths per cent higher for 3½ per Cents, and 1 per cent. for Threes. The Share Market remains closed in the absence of dealers and brokers. Freights are quiet at previous rates with only small lots of Cotton booking. Business in Imports continues to be upon a most limited scale and quotations are nominal to a great extent.

MONEY.—There was great stringency in the market during the week covered by the statement of affairs of the Presidency Bank issued on Monday; but the Bank's minimum rate as well as that in the open market, remained at 12 per cent.; and the Return showed that the Bank's Cash Balance had been augmented by some 15 lakhs, at 87½ lakhs. All the items which go to indicate the position of the trade demand for Money disclosed a reduction in that direction about 17½ lakhs of the previous week's heavy withdrawals having gone back to Private Deposits, while in Loans and Bills Discounted there had been a considerable and a material decrease, respectively, the aggregate diminution in the demand being represented by over 28½ lakhs, compared with an addition of 5½ lakhs disclosed by the previous Return. On the other hand, there were withdrawals from Government Deposits at the Bank's head office of 13½ lakhs, reduced by a small increase at the branches, to 12½ lakhs.

The market, meantime, has been quiet; but Money remains very scarce, and the Bank of Bombay minimum rate, as well as that outside, remains at 12 per cent.

EXCHANGE.—The market was quiet but steady in tone at opening last mail-day at 1s. 3 11-32d. for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and 1s. 3 15-32d for three months' sight Credits. There was no Merchants' Paper offering, and a demand having set in from the gold dealers for Bank Wire Transfer, a moderate amount was given at 1s. 3 5-16d. There was a weak feeling in the market on Monday with 1s. 3½d. quoted for Bank Telegraphic and Demand and 1s. 3¾d. for three months' sight Credits. In the latter there was no business reported, but Bank Wire Transfer was taken to a small extent early in the day. Rates were quiet and irregular on Tuesday at 1s. 3 3-32d. to 1-8d for Bank Telegraphic and Demand, and; 1s. 3¾d. for three months sight Credits. A moderate amount of Merchants' Bills were placed early in the day; later on, rates having hardened 1s. 3 3-16d. for Wire Transfer and Demand became available at which there was but little enquiry. Steady, in tone on Wednesday the market opened at 1s. 3 3-16d for Bank Telegraphic and demand, and 1s. 3 5-16d. for three months' sight Credits. Merchantes' Bills were very scarce, and but few transactions were reported either way. Yesterday 1s. 3 1-8d was quoted for Bank Telegraphic and Demand and 1s. 3 9-32 to 5-16d for three months' sight Credits. A moderate amount of Merchants' Bills were placed early in the day at 1s. 3 9-32d, but for Bank Paper the enquiry was very limited, and rates hardened 1-32d. all round. To-day, the market opened firm at 1s. 3 3-16d Telegraphic and Demand for Bank remittance and at 1s. 3 5-16 to 11-32d for three months' sight Credits. A fair amount of Mercantile Paper was reported placed during the day at the above rates; and for Bank Paper the enquiry has been limited, the market closing firm as follows:—

Bank Bills on Demand	1s. 3 7-32d.	per rupee.
Do. Telegraphic	1s. 3 7-32d.	"
Do. 3 months' sight	1s. 3 9-32d.	"
Credits do.	1s. 3 11-32d.	"
Do. 6 do.	1s. 3 7-16d.	"
Documents 3 mos' sight	1s. 3 3-8d.	"
Do. 6 do.	1s. 3 15-32d.	"
France 3 do.	10 11	"
Do. 6 do.	10 2 1-4	"

GOVERNMENT PAPER.—Opening quotations last mail day for 3½ per cents were 98 7-8 for Money, and 99 3-16 for Account. Later in the day 99 and 99½ were quoted in the two positions, respectively, with 96, nominal, for Threes, but in the general absence of brokers and dealers no business worth mentioning was reported. Rates opened on Monday at 99 1-8 for Cash and 99 3-8 for the settlement on the 3rd proximo, for 3½ per cents but advanced to 99 and par, respectively; Threes remained at 96, nominal. At opening on Tuesday 3½ per cents for Cash were quoted at par, and for the March Account at 100½, but rates declined after wards to 99½ and 100 1-8 respectively. No business to speak of was reported; and for Threes 96 3-4, nominal, was named 99 3-4 and par were quoted on Wednesday for 3½ per cents for Money and Account, and the same rates were named all day to the close, but in the absence of business they were nominal, as was that of 96 3-4 for Threes. Yesterday again the market was virtually nothing doing, and the quotations of 99½ for Money, and par for the next Settlement, for 3½ per Cents, were nominal to a great extent, as well as that for Threes at 96¼. The same quotations were given to-day at opening, but afterwards somewhat lower rates were named, say 99 11-16 for 3½ per Cents for cash and 99 7-8 for the 3rd proximo, which may be taken as the closing rates, with 96¼, nominal, for Threes.

Municipal 5 per cent. Loan is unchanged at 130. Port Trust Bonds are one per cent. higher; at 110.

SHARES.—Our weekly list shows no change in quotations from those given last Friday evening, the Bazaar having meantime remained closed, and all rates are nominal.

IMPORTS.

PIECE GOODS.—Some orders of importance for "Staple Grey Goods" are reported to have come from up-country markets during the past week but there being no dealers to speak of here at present, very little business has resulted. Meantime Stocks are fast accumulating, and warehouses are overflowing with goods. Rates are nominally the same as before. In Bleached, Dyed, Printed, and Turkey Red Goods, the position is unchanged. The Locally made Goods only a very small business has transpired, and prices are nominally unaltered. The Clearances of Imported Goods from the bazaar during the week are put down at about 1,000 packages, and of *Local* some 600 bales.

YARNS.—The market for *Imported Twist* is practically closed and prices are nominal. In the Bazaar for *Bombay Spinnings* the business done during the past week has been open only a trifling scale. The majority of dealers are absent, while only a few come occasionally and open their shops. The business in China makes is nil. The week's Sales are estimated at about 400 bales, and the market closed quiet at the following official quotations:—

Twist	No.	0s	Mule, As.	4½	to 4s	per lb.
"		0s	"	4s	" 4s	"
"		12s	"	5	" 5s	"
"		16s	"	5s	" 6s	"
"		20s	"	6s	" 6s	"
"		24s	"	6s	" 7	"
"		30s	"	7s	" 7s	"
"		40s	"	8	" 9s	"

METALS.—Business in the *Copper* and *Yellow Metal* Markets continues almost *nil* the dealers being still absent from their shops as a rule; but in *Iron* there has been a little doing on about the basis of previous rates.

COAL.—No sales of this mineral of any importance have transpired this week, and Importers are asking higher rates owing to the advance of Freight at Cardiff and Calcutta. The Market closes firm. We quote alongside:—

Welsh Hartley	...	*Nil.*
West	...	"
Australian	...	"
Powell's Duffryn	...	Rs. 23 per ton.
Cardiff	...	" 23 "
Japan	...	" 13½ "
Bengal	...	" 13½ "
Singareni	...	*Nil.* Rail delivery.
Seebpore	...	Rs. 13½ per ton.
Sanctoria	...	" 13½ "

EXPORTS.

COTTON.—This market has been quiet throughout the weak, and very little business has been reported in either direction. In the present position of things, European shippers have generally refrained from fresh operations; while enquiry on account of local consumers has been upon a very small scale, about two-thirds of the Mills in this city and suburbs having ceased working for the present in the absence of sufficient hands. Purchasers of Broach and of Oomrawuttee descriptions, however, for shipment to Japan, have been made to some extent. Prices have fluctuated somewhat; but they close this evening on about last Friday's level. There was a rather better demand this morning owing to American news; but the enquiry has since slackened off, with buyers scarce and prices generally unchanged.

Receipts of Cotton of the new crop into Bombay during the past week have been 54,700 bales, compared with 52,000 bales to hand in the week preceding, and 65,800 bales in the corresponding week last year; the total arrival of new Cotton now showing a falling off of 2,66,600 bales this season as against last.

The following are to-days quotations for full pressed Cotton with the equivalents in sterling, cost, and freight to Liverpool via Canal, without Commission viz:—

Cotton—		Per candy	Per lb. C. & F.
Bengal, Fine	Feb & Mar.	Rs. 155—2	31-32d.
Do. Fully Good	do	" 149—2	32-32d.
Do. Good	do	" 133—3	1-32d.
Belatee, Fine	do	" 157—3	1-32d.
Do. Fully Good	do	" 145—2	29-32d.
Khandesh, Fully Good	do	" 138—2	31-32d.
Oomra, Fully Good	do	" 170—3	1-32d.
Dhollera, Fine	do	" 131—3	13-32d.
Do. Fully Good	do	" 171—3	1-32d.
Do. Good	do	" 167—3	1-32d.
S G Dharwar Good	Apl & May	" 178—3	15-32d.
Western	do	" 166—3	1-32d.
Broach, Fine	Feb & Mar.	" 191—3	5-32d.

*Figures taken from the Chamber of Commerce reports.

The arrivals of New Crop Cotton into Bombay, this season, as compared with last, are as follows:—

	Season. 1896-97. F. P. Bales.	Season. 1895-96. F. P. Bales.
Bengals	153,500	227,500
Berar	176,500	261,500
Khandeish	148,500	200,500
Barsi and Nuggur	22,000	48,000
Hingunghat	7,700	12,300
Persian and Sind	1,500	16,500
Broach	20,500	43,000
Dholleras	13,000	35,500
	553,200	844,800

The movements of Cotton to date show the following comparison with the previous two years:—

Receipts.	1897. Bales.	1896. Bales.	1895. Bales.
For the Week	54,830	85,235	34,90
From 1st Jan. to 18th Feb.	227,014	434,99	2,92,405
Clearances to Great Britain and Continent.			
For the Week		9934	20,197
From 1st Jan. to 18th Feb.	73,057	142,107	47862
Clearances to Calcutta, China, Japan, &c.			
For the Week	1,989	13,394	463
From 1st Jan. to 18th Feb.	70,272	80,967	15,16

WHEAT AND SEEDS.—There is practically nothing doing for exporters' account in either of these markets pending the result of the Plague conference now being held in Venice, and the only business to speak of during the week under notice has been in some forward contracts among native dealers themselves. Meantime quotations are nominal to a great extent. To-day the price of *White Delhi Wheat* has been quoted one anna at Rs. 7-9-0 per cwt; but we have heard of little or nothing to speak of passing.

The comparative Imports of Wheat and Seeds are as follows:—

	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Wheat for the week	26,351	95,243	37,124
Do. from 1st January to 18th February	101,212	463,017	457,710
Linseed for the week	2,936	210,183	171,362
Do. from 1st January to 18th February	28,832	401,720	433,558
Rapeseed for the week	5,582	6,714	13,164
Do. from 1st January to 18th February	21,037	42,141	105,356
Gingellyseed for the week	21,754	72,234	30,349
Do. from 1st January to 18th February	113,924	453,021	333,853

The clearances of Wheat and Seeds to Great Britain and Continent are as follows:—

	Cwts.	Cwts.	Cwts.
Wheat for the week	...	14,490	...
Do. from 1st January to 18th February	811	85,427	102,358
Linseed for the week	...	6,957	38,954
Do. from 1st January to 18th February	73,474	167,231	223,340
Rapeseed for the week	...	...	14,009
Do. from 1st January to 18th February	49,122	180,608	178,848
Gingellyseed for the week	...	64,436	36,501
Do. from 1st January to 18th February	73,403	384,536	347,374

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—FEBRUARY 17.

Stuart, Lieut, Punjab, R A, on leave, from Rawal Pindi.

FEBRUARY 18.

Norman, Lt, Ms, 1st Northampton, on leave, from Secunderabad.
Wilson, Vety Lt, Bo, A V D, on leave, from Kirkee.
Stack, Lt, Bo, 3rd B Cavalry, on leave, from Deesa.

FEBRUARY 19.

Hill, Capt, 29th Bo I, on leave, from Mhow.

DEPARTURES.—FEBRUARY 18.

Bandeld, Lt-Col, Ms, 2nd Welch Regt, on duty, to Bellary.
Roddy, 2nd Lt, Ms, 1st Cheshire Regt, on duty, to Secunderabad.
Palin, Capt, Bo, Comt Dept, on duty, to Poona.
Wilson, Vety Lt, Bo, A V D, on duty, to Kamptee.
Wilson, Vety Lt, Bo, A V D, Off leave, to Kirkee.
Eccles, Lt, Bengal, 18th Lancers, from leave, to Umballa.
Govan, 2nd Lt, Bengal, R Sussex, on duty, to Fyzabad.
Oliver, 2nd Lt, Bengal, Norfolk Regt, on transfer, to Allahabad
Trotsham, Major, Bengal, E Surrey Regt, on transfer, to Thana.
Bclinday, 2nd Lt, Bengal, 2nd Manchester, on duty, to Dinapore.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER ARTILLERY.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY MAJOR G. W. ROUGHTON, COMMANDING B. V. A.

Bombay, 20th February 1897.

1. To-day (Saturday) there will be Class Firing at Coorla. Trains leave Victoria Terminus at 3-30, 3-33, 3-45, and 4-30 p.m. (Bombay time), and Byculla 12 minutes later in each case. Dress:—Drill order, Carbines only. Members who have not yet put in their Class Firing are particularly requested to attend.

2. The following Sub-divisional drills will take place next week:—

No. 1 Company.

Monday, 8-45 p.m.—Nos. 3 and 4 Sub-divisions.
Tuesday, 8-45 p.m.—Nos. 1 and 2 Sub-divisions.
Wednesday, 8-45 p.m.—Drill for the Gatacre Cup.
Thursday, 8-45 p.m.—Nos. 1 and 4 Sub-divisions.
Friday, 8-45 p.m.—Nos. 2 and 3 Sub-divisions.

By order,
H. A. H. FAYNE, Lieut.,
Actg. Adjutant B. V. A.

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY COLONEL R. S. BROWN, V.D., COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay, 20th February, 1897.

1. There will be no parade this afternoon the 20th instant.
2. The following members having joined are taken on the strength of the Corps from this date and posted to No. 2 Company:—No. 4144 Vol. A. McMullen No. 4145 Vol. P. A. De Bono, No. 4146 Vol. S. Stewart, No. 4147 Vol. R. Maidment and No. 4148 Vol. F. Maidment.

BOMBAY LIGHT HORSE.

1. There will be no parade drill on Tuesday next the 23rd instant.—There will be riding drill for all members the same morning, viz.—Tuesday, the 23rd instant, at 7 a.m. Dress—Plain clothes.

By order,
C. MOSS, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

NOTICE.

BOMBAY RIFLE CLUB.

The first dance of the Club which was fixed to take place on the 12th instant and unavoidably postponed has now been fixed to take place on Friday the 26th instant.

Fancy or Evening Dress.

Tickets can be obtained from the following:—
Captain F. W. English, Byculla School, Byculla.
Lieut. D. J. Rae, Police Office, Fort.
2nd Lieut. H. C. Rice, Apollo Hotel, Fort.
Sergt. Major J. H. Downing, Head-Quarters, B. V. Rifles
Qr.-Mr. Sergt. W. Stephens, Stephens and Sons, Girgaum.
Lr.-Sergt. M. Black, Govt. Telegraph Office, Pythonnio.
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Sergt. G. Nicoll, H. M. Mint, Fort.
Corpl. G. Lund, Lund and Hornby, Fort.
Vol. H. Row, Hope Hall Estate, Masagon.
W. H. Green's Restaurant, Apollo Bunder.
Fancy Dress—Members Rs. 5, to include one lady; Non-Members Rs. 3, to include one Lady.
Evening Dress.—Members Rs. 3, to include one lady; Non-Members Rs. 4, to include one lady.
Light Refreshments will be provided.

DIVINE SERVICE.

SEXAGESIMA SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21.

SAINT THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral, Aguiter in G.—Hymns 233 and 197, Ave Verum Gounod.
4-45 p.m.—Sunday School.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.—Hymns 166, 233 and 240.
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis.—Hoyte in B flat.
Daily Matins at 6-45 a.m. and Evensong at 5 p.m. Holy Communion at 7-15 a.m. daily.

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, MALABAR HILL.

8 a.m.—Matins and Holy Communion.
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TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

THE TRANSVAAL CLAIMS FOR THE JAMESON RAID.

LONDON, FEB. 19.

In the House of Commons, last night, Mr. Chamberlain, replying to a question, said the Transvaal claims from the British Government or the Chartered Company for the Jameson raid amounted to £677,038 for material and £1,000,000 for moral damages. This he added, does not include the claims of private individuals.

LATER:

The London papers ridicule the claim brought by the Transvaal against the British Government for the Jameson Raid.

LORD SALISBURY DECLINES TO JOIN THE PIRÆUS BLOCKADE.

Lord Salisbury has declined the proposal of the Powers to take part in the blockade of the Pirœus.

The proposal originated with the Emperor William.

THE GERMAN PRESS ON THE PIRÆUS BLOCKADE.

BERLIN, FEB. 19.

The German papers are resentful over the rejection by Great Britain of the proposal to blockade the Pirœus, and regard it as striking at the peace of Europe.

MASSACRES BY THE CHRISTIANS IN CRETE.

LONDON, FEB. 19.

The *Times* publishes a telegram from Canea stating that the insurgents have massacred one hundred and four Mussalmans at Selina, including twenty women and sixty-four children.

NEW TURKISH COMMANDER IN CRETE.

General Tewfik Pachs has been appointed Turkish Military Commander in Crete.

RUSSIA PREPARED FOR EVENTUALITIES.

The *Times* correspondent at St. Petersburg states that the Russian warships and troops at the Black Sea ports are prepared for any contingency in the Turkish difficulty requiring warlike action on the part of Russia at Constantinople.

THE WATERLOO CUP.

The Coursing Match for the Waterloo Cup has resulted in Gallant beating Five by Tricks.

THE BRITISH AMERICAN ARBITRATION TREATY.

MEW YORK, FEB. 19.

The Senate have finally shelved the British American Arbitration Treaty.

American opinion is disgusted with this decision.

THE MAILS.

ADEN, FEB. 18.

The P. and O. Co.'s steamer Ganges, with the homeward mails of the 13th instant, arrived here a 7 p.m., to-day.

BOMBAY COMMAND ORDERS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, FEB. 19.

The Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces is pleased to make the following appointment with effect from the 15th instant :—Captain Kenny, 2nd Squadron Commander (officiating Second-in-Command) 2nd Bombay Lancers, to be Unpaid Attache to the Bombay Command Head-Quarters (Articles 68 F, Army Regulations, India, Volume 1 Part I.

The Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces is pleased to make the following appointments :—

2nd Bombay Lancers.—Surgeon-Captain Jackson, M.B., Indian Medical Service, officiating in medical charge, 5th Bombay Infantry to medical charge, vice Surgeon-Major Lyons, M.D., Indian Medical Service, transferred permanently to the Civil Department.

5th Bombay Light Infantry.—Surgeon-Lieutenant Kukday, Indian Medical Service, to officiating medical charge, vice Surgeon-Captain Jackson, Indian Medical Service, appointed to medical charge, 2nd Bombay Lancers.

Station Staff.—Lieutenant Chitty, 5th Bombay Light Infantry, to be Station Staff Officer (3rd Class) at Ahmedabad, in addition to his own duties, vice Lieutenant Kelly, relieved (no qualified officer being available).

Major Triscott, D.S.O., Royal Artillery, Commanding No. 1 Mountain Battery, Royal Artillery, having been appointed Deputy-Assistant-Adjutant-General of the establishment of the Bombay Commandy, is posted to Poona District.

Lieutenant-Colonel Prideaux, Deputy Judge-Advocate-General, Bombay Command, is directed to proceed to Bombay to attend the Marine Court of Enquiry, to be assembled at that station, travelling at the public expense.

Army Medical Staff—Surgeon Major Kirkpatrick, on arrival from England, is posted to Mhow District.

Surgeon-Major Culling is posted to Bombay District.

With reference to G. G. O., No. 183, of the 12th instant, the undermentioned 2nd Lieuts of the unattached List will, on arrival in India, be attached for duty to Battalions specified, agreeably to para 72, Army Regulations, India Vol. II :—2nd Battalion Middlesex Regiment—Adair and Hutchison ; 2nd Battalion Durham Light Infantry—Butler and Murray ; 1st Battalion Wiltshire Regiment—Ruskin ; 1st Battalion The Pon. Royal Fusiliers—Cowan and Sherlock.

Military Works Department.—In supersession of Bombay (Command Order No. 52 (3), dated 21st February, 1897, Lieutenant Roovet, Royal Engineers, is transferred from Mhow Division, Military Works, to Bombay Division, Military Works.

Under instructions received from the War Office, it is notified that an exchange has been sanctioned between Major Darley, 22nd Field Battery, and Major Hanna, 33rd Field Battery, Royal Artillery.

Captain R. St. C. Lecky, Aide-de-Camp to his Excellency Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, has been appointed to B. Battery Royal Horse Artillery.

The undermentioned officer is granted leave to proceed out of India, on privgte affairs, under the leave rules for the Staff Corps, the specified period to count from the date of being struck of duty :—Lieutenant Cates, Staff Corps, Wing Officer ,27th Bombay Infantry, for one year (pension service fifth year commenced 17th March 1897).

MADRAS INFANTRY TOURNAMENT.

THE FINALS.

SECUNDERABAD, FEB. 19.

The finals of the Madras Infantry Tournament were played, this afternoon, between the Northamptons and the Welsh Regiment. The game was watched with keen interest by a large gathering, who lustily cheered the Northamptons on their return as winners of the cup by nine goals and two subsidiaries to the Welsh's 2 goals and 1 subsidiary.

The cup now becomes the permanent property of the Northamptons, who have won it three years in succession.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, FEB. 18.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Ross arrived here this morning.

LIVERPOOL, FEB. 18.

The Hall Line steamer Branksome Hall, from Karachi, arrived here this morning.

SUEZ, FEB. 18.

The B I S N Co's steamer Manora left here this afternoon.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Graham, from Calcutta, Madras, and Colombo, arrived here this morning.

COLOMBO, FEB. 19.

German mail steamer Friedrich der Grosse from Australia arrived.

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, FEB. 18.

The Liverpool Cotton Market closed firm. Surats quiet.

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The Manchester Market has been steady.	
2½ per cent. Consols	111¼
3 per cent. Reduced	102½
3½ per cent. Reduced	113⅜
2½ per cent. Bupees	57
Bar Silver	29 11-16

The Bank of England Statement for the week ending yesterday, show the following results:—Total Bullion £39,800,601, Increase, £400,000; Public Deposits £8,000,000, Decrease, £1,000,000; Other Deposits £33,000,000, Increase £1,000,000; Notes and Gold £39,800,600; Decrease, £900,000. The Bank's Reserve is 54 per cent. of the Liabilities.

THE INDIAN FAMINE FUND.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, FEB. 19.

The subscriptions to the Famine Fund up to this evening amount to Rs. 38,72,618, including the third contribution from Edinburg of Rs. 77,732.

ENTHUSIASTIC RECEPTION TO A SWAMI.

Swami Vivekananda, who returned to Calcutta, this morning, after several years of absence in Europe and America, met with a very warm reception, about a thousand Native gentlemen being present at the station to receive him. The route from the station to the Ripon College, fully a mile long, was decorated on both sides with festoons of paper flags, and several triumphal arches had been erected along the route.

The Swami on alighting from the train was welcomed by Mr. Norendro Nath Sen, and conducted to the carriage, the horses of which were then unyoked, and the carriage drawn to the Ripon College by the students all along the route. The Swami was cheered enthusiastically. A band was leading the way.

A public address is to be presented to the Swami shortly and he will be asked to deliver a series of lectures during his stay here.

GAZETTE OF INDIA NOTIFICATIONS.

Public Works Department.—Mr. J. C. Reddié, Executive Engineer, is permitted to retire from the service. Mr. J. N. D. Lalouche, Deputy Consulting Engineer for Railways, Government of India is granted furlough for nine months, on medical certificate.

Home Department.—The services of Mr. G. D. Madgavkar, I. C. S., Assistant Commissioner, Burma, are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Government of Bombay. The services of Surgeon Captain Heath are placed permanently at the disposal of the Government of Bombay. The services of the following officers, I. M. S., Madras, are placed temporarily at the disposal of the Chief Commissioner of the Central Provinces for employment on Famine and Plague duty.

Surgeon-Lieutenants Fraser Mathew, and Hammond, Foreign Department and Surgeon Captain Hare, Medical Officer, Merwar Bhil Corps, are granted leave out of India, on private affairs, for one year.

Major Fagan is appointed Assistant Political Agent, Burrah.

Lieutenant-Colonel Macintire, Military Secretary to the Mysore Government is granted furlough for 6 months.

The services of Mr. Mackwarth Young, Resident, Mysore, are replaced [at the disposal of the Home Department.

Legislative Department—The Hon. Mr. H. E. M. James is reappointed additional member of the Viceroy's Council.

The services of the Hon. Mr. Justice Gordon are replaced at the disposal of the Government of Bengal.

Foreign Department—Captain Kemball is posted as Political Agent, Malwa.

Lieut Webb Ware is posted as Assistant Political Agent, Chageh.

Hon. Brigade-Surgeon Lt.-Col. Lethbridge is granted furlough for one year.

Military Department—Major Rodwell is confirmed as D. A. A. G. for Instruction.

The following officers of the Commissariat Transport receive promotion in the Dept :—Captains Anderson and Murray, Lieut. Hennessy, Surgeon-Col. Warburton are granted temporary rank of Surgeon-Major-General whilst Offg. Director-General, I. M. S., and Sanitary Commissioner to the Government of India during the absence of Surgeon-Major-General Cleghorn. Brigade-Surgeon-Lt.-Col. Hendley is granted temporary rank of Surgeon-Col. whilst officiating for Surgeon-Colonel Warburton. Second-Lieutenant Rynes is admitted to the Staff Corps.

Promotions in the Staff Corps—Lieutenants to be Captains—Taylor, Cook, Home. Second-Lieutenant to be Lieutenant—H. H. Moore.

Major Tonnochy is granted temporary rank of Lieutenant-Colonel.

The following officers are permitted to retire from the service :—Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel Seaman, Surgeon-Major Degmott, and Lieutenant Lewis.

Marine Department.—Captain Falle, is appointed to officiate as Deputy Director, R. I. M. Commander Chandler is appointed to officiate as Assistant Director, R. I. M.

The following Sub-Lieutenants are promoted.—Lieut Hand, Jones, Gardner. Lieut Relf is transferred to the retired list.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE P. and O. Co.'s s. s. Shannon, Captain E. Crewe, will sail, to-day, for London and Brindisi, with English mail and the following passengers :—

FOR LONDON.

Arbuthnot, Mr
Baker, Rev H.
Bennett, Mr C H, and child
Brittain, Mr S S
Brooke, Lieut and Mrs H M
Brown, Mr and Mrs A
Bryce, Mrs and child
Burbury, Mrs J H
Black, Capt J
Carvalho, Capt
Channer, Mr four girls and one boy
Coish, Mr and Mrs A D, and child
Colah, Mrs, two children and infant
Carnaby, Mrs S H T de la
Dimna, Col and Mrs C F H
Diogoy, Mr, Mrs and child
Dingey, 2 Misses
Eadie, Mr M
English, Mrs and two children
Farrar, Mr and Mrs
Fisher, Lieut J F
Fowle, Major and Mrs, and child
Ford, Rev and Mrs G A
Fry, Mrs T B
Gaisford, Mrs
Gill, Rev C H
Grogan, Miss
Gray, Miss
Gertrude, Sister
Hanford, Col J C
Harris, Mr and Miss
Hart Davies, Mr
Hill, Capt and Mrs J R and infant
Hodgson, Mr and Mrs C M
Jones, Major and Mrs G
Turner, and child
Joliffe, Dr and Mrs
Keene, Mrs G H, and child
King Powell, Mr and Mrs
Kunhardt, Mr E
Keymer, Mr G
Laidlaw, Mr
Lucas, Rev and Mrs B
Lyall, Mrs
Mackenzie, Col T W
Muirhead, Mr A
Morgan, Mr and Mrs R L
Norman, Lieut H A
Odgers, Capt G
Pringle, Mr W
Rand, Mrs and three infants
Renny, Miss de
Roberts, Col A W
Rodger, Mr J G
Rodger, Mr E
Sharpe, Mr C
Sime, Mrs J and child
Sime, two Misses
Simson, Mr
Smith, Rev and Mrs J
Smith, Mrs
Smith, Miss
Stansfield, Lieut General
Storer, Mr E D
Stuart, Mr R E
Stranach, Miss
Surtees, Mr
Surtees, Mrs
Sutro, Miss C A
Tattersall, Mr and Mrs
Thacker, Miss and 2 daughters
Thomas, Mr and Mrs E
Tayleya, Capt
Twine, Mrs
Vibart, Mr G
Wasey, Mrs and child
Woods, Rev M
Woods, Mr J B
Winchcombe, Mr and Mrs and 2 children
Wells, Miss

FOR BRINDISI.

Anderson, Mr
Charlton, Rev and Mrs J W
Godfrey, Col and two Misses
Halt, Mr
Higgins, Mr
Hayes, Mr
Kaumann, Mr and Mrs
Keoholn, Mr C
McKie, Mr T G
Morris, Miss E R
Pratt, Mr
Stokes, Mr
Stokes, Miss A
Stokes, Miss
Wacha Mr

MILITARY NEWS.

LIEUTENENT C. de W. CROOKSHANK, R. E., reverts to the Home Establishment.

LIEUTENANT H. E. T. KELLY, 35th Field Battery R. A., is appointed to the Native Mountain Artillery as Officiating Subaltern.

LIEUTENANT G. H. MORRIS is appointed Adjutant of the 3rd Battalion Rifle Brigade, vice Captain the Hon'ble C. E. Walsh, vacated on appointment to Egyptian Army.

MAJOR, C. P. TRISCOTT, D. S. O. R., A., D. A. A. G., District Staff, Bombay Command, is posted to Poona.

CAPTAIN W. EWBANK, R. E. on return from the Staff College, is posted to the Bombay Command, Military Works Department.

THE following appointments have been made:—7th Bombay Infantry.—Lieutenant R. P. Keelan, Supernumerary on the Establishment, to be Wing Officer on probation, *vice* Hay, seconded. 12th Bombay Infantry.—Lieutenant W. Scott, Supernumerary on the Establishment, to be Wing Officer, *vice* Fenn, seconded. 16th Bombay Infantry.—Lieutenant H. K. McGeorge, Wing Officer, to be Quarter-Master, *vice* Widdicombe, vacated. 20th Bombay Infantry.—Lieutenant J. H. Casserly, from 21st Bombay Infantry, to be Wing Officer, *vice* Hill, deceased. 30th Bombay Infantry.—Lieutenant R. J. C. East wood, Wing Officer, to be Quarter-Master, *vice* Jacob, seconded. 23rd Punjab Pioneers.—Major D. W. Hickman from 34th Punjab Pioneers, to be Officiating 2nd-in-command.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

Latest dates of foreign messages received at Bombay, from the United Kingdom, during the 24 hours ending, at 8 p.m. of the 19th February, 1897.

(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes.
To Fao	18	3	35 p.m.	11	17
To Tarifa	19	2	35 p.m.	...	18
Suez	19	3	0 p.m.	11	35

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay, during the 24 hours ending, at 8 p.m., of the 19th February, 1897.

	Maximum Time. H.	M.	Minimum Time. H.	M.
From Calcutta	...	43	...	1
" Karachi	...	19	...	2
" Madras	...	16	...	1

GENERAL Gulam Haider Khan, the Amir's Commander-in-Chief, arrived in state at Jallalabad on the 14th instant. It is stated that the General is making marching enquiries regarding the Mohmand country and its limits under the Afghan sphere in past years. The Khan of Lalpura, who was under orders to proceed to Kabul under an escort has been detained by General Gulam Haider Khan for an interview on the boundary question.

A NATIVE boy in Bangalore has paid dearly for his curiosity with regard to the properties of dynamite. He found a cartridge at Hebbal and was advised by his elders not to set fire to it, but he did not heed the advice, with the result that on Monday last he had part of his left hand blown off. To save his life, amputation was considered necessary.

TABLE TALK.

(BY WALTER BESANT.)

LONDON, JAN. 20.

I RESEMBLE the late Mr. Samuel Weller, Junior, not in readiness and wit, but in his preference for that part of the paper which contains the law and police reports. Charles Reade used to cut out interesting cases and paste them in a book, partly for possibilities in fiction, and partly in order to show the world of the next century what very odd people were sometimes discovered in this of the nineteenth. A very remarkable set of people, for instance, was—for, alas ! it is now broken up—a little group whose private affairs have been narrated in the courts this week. The party consisted of a young gentleman, a young lady, and certain friends who went about Italy in company. The object of their travel was nothing less than to achieve the marriage of the young gentleman and the young lady. This, if you think of it, was really the most singular reason for travelling that ever was put forward. Why, if you want to get married, there are always the means at hand, and you might just as well stay where you are. These people, however, being young, did not, probably, understand so simple a detail ; therefore, like the man in the rhyme, they went "out of France and into Spain." From Monte Carlo they journeyed to Nice, to Genoa, to Naples, to Capri, always in search of that will-o'-the-wisp, a wedding ring. The journey was diversified by incidents. Once the young gentleman and one of the travelling friends fought a duel ; once the young gentleman wanted to throw a chair from the dress circle of the theatre into the pit, so gay and frolicsome and light-hearted he was ; once he joyously fired his revolver "at large" ; once, in a mere paroxysm of youthful spirits, he smashed all the furniture. A peculiar feature of the case was that he was all day long, and most of the night, consumed and devoured by thirst. On one day this insatiable throat drank a whole bottle of whisky, a bottle of Pommery, three half bottles of the same brand, some stout, and seven liqueurs. Heard one ever of a more matchless toper ? Even Taffalas himself, when he was permitted at last to get at the drink, was not more thirsty. And all the time, his friend deposed, he was "very good company." He might have been, indeed, a delightful companion. As Douglas Jerrold once said, "Good" is not the word for such company as his. But what a Wedding March !

I have at last made up my mind as to the future of medical science. As doctors are beginning to understand that they are totally unable to prevent or to drive away certain disease, they will presently pass on to adopt for all diseases what has hitherto proved useful for one. They will resolve upon inoculating or vaccinating for them in early life. All of us, especially those of us who are gray beards, are agreed that old age ought to be a time full of peace, serene and tranquil. A sunset in July, after a day of clear sky and hot sunshine, should represent old age. Too often, under existing arrangements, a sunset in November, with no sun visible, but only a deepening gloom, represents old age. Since, then, there is no different of opinion on the subject, all we have to do is to arrange the most scientific way of taking our diseases early. We shall vaccinate, in a word, for all possible diseases in classes and groups. Thus, some unfortunates become gouty, asthmatic, rheumatic, and other adjectives as the clock goes round. We shall be vaccinated for this class of disease if out ancestors or parents have had any of them ; if there appears to be any danger or any tendency. Consider what a huge amount of suffering will be alleviated by vaccinating the babies for this class of disease alone. Physicians will, of course, easily classify the various ailments that are now "helped" so freely—indeed, I am quite certain that in the long run science will discover one universal vaccinating stuff which will enable the infant to have and to enjoy in the mildest form possible every disease under the sun all at once. What will happen afterwards ? He will in after life only suffer from those diseases which he has brought upon himself by his own follies and excesses. These, of course, thanks to the vaccination, will be of a much milder type. If he leads a moderate life, taking everything that belongs to life with prudence, he will actually "get" nothing as he grows old. He will then sit and bask in the sun ; or he will sit by the fire ; his hands folded ; his work done ; not longer anxious for his own reputation ; no longer worrying about his last book ; no longer jealous or angry or sorry ; he will look on, curious and interested. It will be the most delightful time possible. At the close of it he will be found sleeping in his bed, his face calm and peaceful as the thoughts which filled his brain. I fear that I can not, by any efforts of my own, hope to discover the Universal Vaccinator ; but it will be discovered ; the basis of it probably grows in the hedge. I am sure that it will come if only because the fortunate discoverer will be able to pile up a more colossal fortune than the brain of man has ever yet imagined. From every class and every rank the money will pour in. No millionaire of America will be comparable for wealth with the Discoverer of the Universal Vaccinator. And this consideration will stimulate research.

The snow has come at last. With it, the usual experiences ; in the country the trees are lovely, and the white robes lying on the fields are exquisite ly beautiful. But we have to go into town. Here things are not quite so beautiful ; the roads are inches deep with salt and snow, the paths are wet and slippery, the thickest boots let in the melting snow, and one reflects with sadness that there are no slippers where we have to sit. Near this place they are tobogganing down a hill, but the roughs come in and spoil sport. By what exhortations or teachings shall we persuade the roughs to sweet and gentle reasonableness of behaviour in the open air ? In Canada the roughs do not spoil the tobogganing ; they enter into it, and enjoy it. The best way, in this country, to stop the interference of the rough would be extensive and universal cultivation of the Art of Boxing. If the rough was pretty certain that, in case of horse play, he would have to fight, and that is antagonist would certainly be able to handle his "bunch of fives," there would be no horse play. And as for the snow, as I do not want to go tobogganing, and as I do not like walking in salted slush, and as I am afraid of wet feet, and as the white-robed field has ceased to appeal to my sense of beauty, I wish the snow would depart quickly.

As for the rough and his horseplay, he—that is to say, the London mob, of which he is both a descendant and an integral part—is due entirely to the cowardice of the eighteenth century. One does not desire to speak evil of any century, but the truth must be told. And real truth, which has never yet been told by anyone, is that the citizens of London in the last century fell into a condition of abject cowardice. Thus, in the seventeenth century, though there were no police, order was maintained in the City, partly by the prentices, whose clubs were always ready ; partly because the citizens themselves were always willing to fight for the cause of order ; partly because the Alderman still personally ruled his ward, and perambulated it with his sheriffs, called upon every citizen to help him in the maintenance of order, so that the rough was compelled to lie low. In the eighteenth century there were still no polices but the 'prentices' clubs were put away and their use forgotten, and the shops were furnished with glass fronts and closed doors, behind which the young gentlemen in aprons served their customers without regarding the street at all ; and the Alderman no longer ruled the ward with personal peramulator and service ; and the citizens put off fighting or desiring to fight, or feeling it their duty to fight. Why, their very dress forbade their fighting. Who could go into a *melee* in a full bottomed periwig, white silk stockings, beautiful shoes with gold buckles, and a flowered silk waistcoat. Those rude creatures of the mob would send that citizen out without his periwig, with a broken head perhaps, with mud stained stockings, and blood-stained silk waistcoat ! Impossible to figh in such a dress ! Now, when you read about the mob of London, the Gordon Riots, and the really terrible things done with impunity, remember that they were possible only because the citizens had forgotten how to fight. you doubt my word, only look at them in the pictures of the period—so fat, so sleek, so peaceful, and oh ! so cowardly.

But, at the beginning of the century, they could fight, and did. For instance, in the beginning of George's reign the fickle and uncertain mob chose to be Tory, just as, ten or twelve years before, it had chosen to be High Church. Why ? Nobody knew, and the gentlemen of the mob were quite unable to proffer any reason. They marched about the streets plundering, bellowing, wrecking houses, and robbing men, thus illustrating their own convictions and the righteousness of their cause. Thereupon the citizens took steps. They repaired at night to certain taverns, called mughouses, where with beer and songs, and the stimulus of a harp, they raised their spirits to fighting pitch. The landlord of the mughouse kept clubs for his customers : stout handy weapons, two feet in length, warranted to fell the bravest. When the mob came along, out sallied these valiant citizens, armed with their clubs, and fell upon that mob and fought them and invariably dispersed them. In due course the mob therefore thought it best to change their political opinions, and to throw up their caps for the Protestant succession. In 1780, however, we find the mob actually holding London—doing whatever mischief they pleased—for nearly a week ; and except for a small body of citizens who defended the Mansion House and the Bank, the better class of citizens lay shivering and trembling behind their closed doors.

My heart bleeds for the hairdresser. That poor artist—that unfortunate man of science—has devoted his whole life to the pursuit of a discovery as elusive as the Elixir of Life. He is, and has always been, conducting a Research after something which shall cover the bald head with a new thatch ; shall repair the thinned temple and renew the hirsute crown. Elusive I call it. Many are the preparations offered to a confiding public, but the poor hairdresser is fain to exhibit his own bald head as a proof that the discovery, in spite of advertisements, has not yet been arrived at. It must, therefore, be an additional pang when the seeker after truth reads that a method has been discovered, not of renewing the fallen locks, but of making the best thatched of men and women bald. You submit your head to the famous Rontgen Rays, and lo ! you become as bald as a certain Prophet. "Give me back my hair," cries the man of science, thus despoiled. "Read my advertisement," answers the hairdresser. "Behold my bottle ! Yet—alas ! I admit, I am bald myself, and that in spite of my bottle."

The Spanish Captain and the Buried Treasure are coming up again. I thought they had been drowned or hanged, the Treasure tied round the captain's neck, long ago. It appears that he is still alive, and that his Treasure is still buried. This is his sad but simple story as he himself relates it. Most romantic it is, to be sure. The unfortunate gentleman, no doubt a hidalgo of Castilian descent, is a captain in the Spanish army. Last year he entered upon a conspiracy for creating a Republic in Spain ; wicked treachery nipped that plot in the bud ; the captain fled, leaving his wife and daughter in a convent ; he came to England ; he carried with him the money belonging to his regiment—£15,000 it was altogether. He then learned that his wife was dead, and his daughter left alone in the convent. Everybody knows what unsafe places are nunneries ; he therefore buried the Treasure, and went back to Spain to look after his daughter. As soon as he arrived in the country he was arrested and thrust into prison ; in fact, he writes from prison ; the greatest caution must be exercised in answering his letter. Would the person to whom he writes like to share in the buried Treasure ? If so, his daughter with her duenna will proceed to England, will show him where the Treasure lies—it is close to his residence—will dig up the Treasure with his assistance, and will share it with him. Nothing could be more romantic. I wish he would write to me ; his daughter shall dig up the whole of my back garden if she likes.

Gold is the voice of Didymus the Doubter. He mars everything ; he pours melting snow down one's neck, into one's boots, over one's head. Listen to him. "Of what does the Treasure consist? Of gold? But no one carries thousands in gold. In notes? But they must be known and can be stopped. In a bank passbook? Then why bury it? Why not leave it safely in the bank? Again, what regiment is that whose pay chest contains £15,000? A few hundreds is all that an English paymaster ever has in his hands at once. Lastly, since the Treasure belongs to the regiment, the gallant captain—this languishing nobleman—this blue-blooded Castilian—this noble hidalgo has quite frigarly and after the most plebeian fashion stolen it, and in brutal frankness he invites this English gentleman to become an accomplice in the robbery, "Let us, therefore," concludes the Doubter, "without further words, send the letter to Scotland Yard, with a request to forward it to the police of Spain."

BENEFITS OF INOCULATION BY HAFFKINE'S PROPHYLACTIC.

THE following important information deserves wide attention :—

H. M.'s. House of Correction,
Byculla, 15th Feb., 1897.

From the Medical Officer in Charge, H. M.'s House of Correction, Byculla ; to the Executive Health Officer, Bombay Municipality, Bombay.

Sir,—In accordance with your request, I have the honor herewith to forward a tabular statement showing in detail the result of inoculation by Professor Haffkine's prophylactic.

It will thus be seen that though the measures adopted for the arrest of plague in H. M.'s. House of Correction were early successful, yet the evidence obtained by the preventive use of Mr. Haffkine's antitoxin is eminently in favour of inoculation.—I have, &c.,

GEO. WATERS,
Brigade-Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel, I.M.S.

Statement showing the result of Professor Haffkine's prophylactic treatment against the plague in H. M.'s House of Correction, Byculla, Bombay :—

Dates.	Non-Inoculated. Attacks.	Fatal.	Inoculated. Attacks.	Fatal.
Day of Inoculation. 23th January 1897, before inoculation	6	2	Nil	Nil
30th January 1897, after hour of inoculation	Nil	Nil	*3	*3
From the day after inoculation. 31st January 1897	2	1	1	Nil
1st February 1897	1	1	Nil	Nil
2nd February 1897	1	1	Nil	Nil
3rd February 1897	...	...	...	...
4th February 1897	1	1	Nil	Nil
5th February 1897	2	1	Nil	Nil
6th February 1897	5	1	1	Nil
Total after the day of inoculation	12	6	2	Nil
	In an average population of 173·7.		In an average population of 145·3·7.	

*Those 3 cases were undoubtedly infected with plague prior to inoculation.

HIGH COURT.—APPELLATE SIDE.

(Before the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE PARSONS and the Hon. Mr. JUSTICE RAMS.)

RUPTURE OF THE SPLEEN.

IMPERATRIX VS. BHIKYA NANSHYA.

THE accused appealed from a decision of Mr. J. Hamilton, Sessions Judge of Thana, who, in December last, convicted him of voluntarily causing grievous hurt and sentenced him to rigorous imprisonment for four years.

The Sessions Judge, in his finding, remarked that the attack by the accused first with blows with his fists and then with the wooden rung of a ladder, was amply proved by eye witnesses to whose evidence the court and assessors gave entire credence. The medical evidence showed that the skull of the deceased Barkya was slightly fractured, and that the injuries inflicted were eminently dangerous to life. The offence committed was, therefore, grievous hurt. The accused was not charged with culpable homicide or murder, because death was immediately due to a rupture of the spleen, which was diseased, a fact not of course known to the accused, and because the doctor was unable to assert positively that death would have resulted from the other injuries. The offence was a very grave one, and though there was some provocation, it was not either so grave or so sudden as to bring the case within section 335 of the Penal Code. Mr. Hamilton convicted the accused and sentenced him as mentioned above.

Their lordships, on a consideration of all the evidence, rejected the appeal.

BRAVING IT AGAINST DACOITS.

IMPERATRIX VS BALLIA WALAD YELLAPA.

THIS was an appeal from a decision of Mr. E. M. Pratt, Sessions Judge of Sholapur Bijapur, who, in December last, found the appellant guilty of dacoity and sentenced him to rigorous imprisonment for five years.

In this case the appellant and three others were charged with the offence of dacoity. It was proved that, on the 5th September, a dacoity was committed at the house of Luxmon Parit and Co., Sholapur. The complainant and his two wives stated that about midnight, a crowd of people came to the door of their house and clamoured to have it opened. Luxmon refused to do so, and then the dacoits proceeded to break open the door by striking it with an axe and dashing a stone on toit. Complainant and his wives were supporting the door from within. The senior wife Yalama was struck on the mouth through a breach in the door, and her lip was cut open. Luxmon, on his part, struck one of the dacoits outside, through this breach, on the hand with a crowbar. The door ultimately gave way and the dacoits entered and dragged Luxmon outside and beat him. One of the dacoits had a light, another with an axe stood in the doorway, and a third entered the house, and stripped the two women of their ornaments, and also made away with a box of ornaments and money and bonds and some clothes. After securing booty to the extent of about Rs. 2,000, the dacoits left. Three of the accused were arrested on their producing part of the stolen property. The appellant was also arrested on producing some more property. The Sessions Judge acquitted and discharged one of the accused ; and convicted and sentenced the otherthree to five years' rigorous imprisonment each. Of these three, the appellant only appealed.

Their lordships saw no reason to interfere, and rejected the appeal.

THE RAILWAY COLLISION AT GOLVAD.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Referring to the para. which appeared in the local columns of your issue of the 18th instant *re* the application to the Sessions Judge of Thana *to* admit an appeal against the decision of Mr. Hudson against our client, the deputy station master, we beg to state that no such application was ever made, for none could be made as the Sessions Judge had been, and still is, at Alibag. Besides the Sessions Judge there is no Judge in Thana empowered to admit appeals against the decision of the magistrate.

We regret to note that it is a matter of great hardship that there should be no judicial officers empowered, in the absence of the Sessions Judge at Thana, to admit an appeal and release a prisoner on bail in cases of emergency.—Yours, &c.,

HIRALAL MULLA & MULLA,
Solicitors, High Court.

It was not to be expected that that strange dreamer, Count Lyof polstoi, would be allowed to propagate his peculiar doctrines in Russia without check. The wonder is that the official machinery dealing with idealists of his stamp has not been put in motion before now. Probably no other writer has had so much latitude as Tolstoi. When, however, he urges Russian peasants to refuse to pay taxes and only to fulfil military duty under compulsion, the authorities think it is high time to take drastic action. So his followers, who it seems, are increasing in numbers, colonies of them springing up on every hand, are being arrested and transported as dangerous enemies of the State.

THE INDIAN NIAGARA.

I DARESAY that there are many people like myself who have lived several years in India without having heard of the falls of Gairsoppa ; yet these falls are worthy of being ranked among the most celebrated in the world. In height and in beauty of surroundings they can hold their own even with the mighty falls of the New Continent, although of course yielding to them in volume of water. Yet an ingenious writer in the Traveller's Book at the Gairsoppa Falls has calculated that during the monsoon these falls, owing to their enormous drop of over 800 feet, would actually develop a larger turning power than Niagara.

As I said before, I must confess that until a few days ago I had never even heard of what the Guide Book terms "The celebrated Falls of Gairsoppa," but having heard them enthusiastically described by a friend who had recently visited them, and as the journey there seemed to promise an interesting trip, I determined to go and see them for myself. As many others are, perhaps, as ignorant of the whereabouts of Gairsoppa, as I was myself, I will here remark that it is situated just on the borders of Mysore and Northern Canara, the river Gairsoppa in fact forming the boundary between the two. It is about 100 miles from the railway, the nearest station being, I believe, Harihar, on the Mysore State Railway. However, from Bombay there is a much easier way of reaching it, combining a journey by sea, river, and road. Having once resolved to make the trip, it only remained to take tickets by Messrs. Shepherd's steamer to the little port of Honawar or Honore on the Malabar Coast. The steamers leave twice weekly on Mondays and Fridays, reaching Honawar on the second day. The trip down the coast is very pleasant at this time of the year, the air at sea being delightfully refreshing after the stuffiness of Bombay. Several ports are touched at, including the Portuguese port of Mormugao, where a stay of several hours is made. Arriving at Honawar, a steam launch belonging to the company is ready to convey passengers and their belongings to the landing stage, which involves crossing a rather lively bar at the mouth of the river. There is a very good travellers' bungalow here, and, unless pressed for time, it is as well to stay the night there after the discomforts of a ship, and it gives time to make arrangements for the journey up to the Falls. It is much better, however, to write previously to the Mamlatdar at Honawar, stating on what day you will arrive, and asking him to make all arrangements. The first stage of the journey is by river to the town of Gairsoppa, a distance of 18 miles—the duration of the journey depends in a great measure on the wind and tide. Personally I took 8 hours going up and 9 hours coming down, but in either case I did the trip partly by night, which would naturally make the progress slower. The scenery on the river is very pretty. Thick jungle comes down right to the water's edge and everything is wonderfully green and luxuriant. The boats are fairly commodious, and have a rough deck of bamboo, which can be drawn aside like a venetian blind, disclosing an ample space for stowing away one's kit. There is also an awning over the afterpart to keep off the sun by day, and by night the dew, which falls very heavily in the neighbourhood of the river. Even under the comparative shelter of this covering, my blanket was quite moist on the outside when I woke in the morning, and I had so much difficulty in striking a match as in the height of the monsoon.

At Gairsoppa, as at Honawar, there is an excellent bungalow perched on a piece of rising ground, and commanding a fine view of the surrounding Ghauts. From this place to the Falls is another 19-mile march almost entirely uphill. It is best performed by "munchul" or "dooly," which must be brought up from Honawar. The cost of going and returning for munchul and bearers is Rs. 16. A more economical but slower way of making the journey is by country bullock carts, but even these are not always obtainable at Gairsoppa unless previous notice has been given. The road up to the Falls, which by the way are known to the natives as Jog, is a very good one, and passes through lovely forest scenery, the tall trees festooned with creepers spreading over the road, which is in shade almost the whole day. As one gradually mounts higher, the air becomes cooler and more invigorating, while the eye is enchanted by glimpses of the verdant valleys and forest-covered slopes, which come into view when the road passes along the scarped side of the hill. Half-way to Jog a halt may be made by a pretty little mountain stream, where there is a cluster of native huts, from which milk, eggs, and other supplies can be obtained There is also a toll-bar, at which a charge of four annas is levied on carts and munchuls.

As we approach the bungalow at Jog, the roar of the Falls becomes distinctly audible, though we do not catch sight of them until we reach the verandah of the bungalow itself. From it we get a magnificent view of the upper portion of two of the Falls with the wooded hills beyond, while on the opposite side of the chasm is another bungalow in the territory of Mysore. There are four distinct falls, all of which fall into the same chasm at a short distance from one another. They are named "The Rajah," "The Rocket," "The Roarer," and "La Dame Blanche." The two which are visible from the bungalow are the Rocket and the Dame Blanche, the latter being the furthest away on the Mysore side. Both these falls dash down the almost perpendicular rocks, the sharp points of which break the wa

The six survivors were sent to the special plague hospital. A woman, who was attacked with the plague, was also sent to the hospital. The huts of the infected persons have been burnt. Dr. Mody maintains a close scrutiny at the railway station; and the Municipality has adopted vigorous measures to check the epidemic. News had been received at Ahmedabad of the disease having broken out at Wadhwan.

CONCEALED CASES.

Information was received by the Municipal authorities to the effect that in a certain house at Mandvie which was kept closed for some time, several cases of plague had occurred and proved fatal. Acting on this information Dr. Kirtikar and Dr. Jennings were deputed to make enquiries and find out the house. A row of closed dwellings were noticed by the medical officers, and the buildings were forced open in cases where nobody belonging to the place could be found on the spot. The authorities continued their efforts yesterday, and repeated what they had done the previous evening. At last they discovered one house in Doongri district where the information was borne out. In Tantapura Street there was a large four storied building which to all appearances looked closed and uninhabited. On entering it was found that one person was suffering very badly from fever and three dead bodies were discovered. On further enquiries the authorities learned that eight deaths had occurred in the same building, (a lot of plague) but none was ever brought to the notice of the Municipality. The Municipal authorities at once determined to demolish the building which was altogether insanitary and in a filthy condition. The work of demolition was commenced yesterday afternoon, and the big structure was pulled down, after taking the inmates out.

A certain dodge was played by some Hindus some time ago at Ommerkheri. About two months ago the Municipality was informed that a person had died of bubonic fever in a particular room of a certain building on the second floor. The information was so detailed that the Municipal Officers at once found out the building. They went to the room which was very dark. About seven or eight persons were found there sitting, but it was too dark to make any particular observations. A dead body, however, was cleverly placed leaning against the wall so that the Municipal officers took it to be one of the living occupants of the room. One of the Municipal officers began pulling out the inmates of the room, holding each of them by the arm. When he came to the dead body the fraud was discovered. The men were then told the advantages of informing the authorities at once of plague cases, and were warned never again to conceal cases, as it would lead to their own destruction.

THE PAREL GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Twelve rooms had been allotted by the Municipal Commissioner for the accommodation of the healthy occupants of infected Parsee houses; but the arrangement has since been cancelled, and the Trustees of the Parsee Panchayet Funds have put up more sheds on the vacant space near Matunga where a cluster of sheds had been previously erected.

THE EPIDEMIC AT RANDER.

Several cases of plague having occurred in Rander village, the Municipal authorities have adopted stringent measures to check the epidemic. Mr. Rand has made a personal inspection of the infected places. The subcommittee of the municipality has asked for a further sum of Rs. 1,000 for the erection of sheds for the sufferers and for disinfection purposes.

THE STATE OF PALANPUR.

The plague was imported into Palanpur by Moomaa Jamal, a Mahomedan boy, who went there from Bombay, and died four days after arrival. A relative of his, who went to see him, was next attacked, and died also despite medical treatment. Another infected person had also arrived. A permanent resident of the city was attacked, and his death caused a general consternation among the inhabitants lest the epidemic should establish a footing among them. There is no inspection of persons arriving into the city; no preventive measures have been adopted; and no special hospital has been opened for the reception of sufferers from the plague.

PROFESSOR HAFFKINE'S LYMPH.

Mr. K. R. Cama, his young son, Mr. Nusserwanjee Bhurda, and Mr. Byramjee D. Banajee, have got themselves inoculated with Professor Haffkine's prophylactic lymph.

THE ARTHUR ROAD HOSPITAL.

The convalescent ward in the Arthur Road Hospital is nearly full, and the persons therein have reason to believe they have obtained a new lease of life. An Ayah died in the hospital who had nursed the children of one Mr. Colah for the period of twelve years. He was much affected on hearing of her death. He got a hearse for her and had her buried at his own expense according to Christian rites.

THE SPECIAL PARSEE FEVER HOSPITAL.

During the week ending the 15th instant, 45 new sufferers were admitted into the Parsee Fever Hospital, conducted by Dr. K. N. Bahadurjee; and 30 deaths took place during the same week. Nineteen persons were discharged as cured; one was sent back, leaving 23 persons in the hospital, of whom 18 were fairly progressing towards recovery.

THE EPIDEMIC AT BANDORA.

One good result of the visit of Mr. F. S. P. Lely, the Commissioner of the Northern Division, to the Thana Zillah, has been, we are told, that the Collector has decided to take very stringent measures for checking the epidemic. About thirty hospital assistants are told off for duty in the Thana District, ten of whom will be stationed at Bandora. Mr. R. Gilbert, having returned from leave, has resumed charge of the office of Vice-President of the Bandora Municipality, and he has been, it is said, instructed by the Collector of Thana to adopt very rigorous measures to check the epidemic. The Bombay Municipality, the owners of the Bandora slaughter-houses, where one case of plague occurred, have sent an overseer to keep the place clean. About half-a-dozen persons had been admitted into the shed erected as a plague hospital at Bandora, two of whom are still under treatment.

FEVER RELIEF FUNDS.

In addition to the subscription detailed yesterday, the following sums have been received:—

	Rs.
Mr J J Heaton, I C S	100
Major Richard Owen	20
Captain W C Walton.....	20
Captain the Hon H G Heneage ...	20
Captain B J T Jarratt	20
Surgeon-Major H Martin	20
J P W...	20
C V J W	20
Mr S N Squire, C E	20
Mr E P Viegas	10
W	10
R K W	15

MUNICIPAL PRECAUTIONS IN BARODA.

A Correspondent writes:—The Municipal Commissioner of Baroda has issued a concise notification in the vernaculars issuing practical instructions to the people against the introduction of the bubonic plague in the territory. H. H. the Diwan of Baroda has decided that for the present, lime-washing of houses, save the infected, should not be compulsory but only persuasive. The pressure in all the city standposts is considerably reduced and the Municipal and P. W. authorities further contemplate stoppage of all standposts which are close to each other to prevent excessive moisture of the soil. The pressure in the house connections is also to be reduced to prevent damp in private houses. A thorough investigation has been undertaken by the Municipality as regards the condition of the granaries of the city and suburbs. The Municipal Commissioner has issued notices for cleaning and white-washing them and opening them out with additional doors and windows. It is stated that it will shortly be proposed to abolish from the State even the much needed folk levied on the opening of doors and windows. The thorough cleaning of butcher market and slaughter yards has been ordered by the Commissioner and a more thorough flushing on the drains is ordered. The filthy cloth coverings of the hack carries and the dresses of the drivers of the same sorts are placed under ban wherever observed. In some cases dirty rags in confectioners' shops are burnt up under orders of the Commissioner as being carriers of dirt and germs. The burning of all dry kutchra in open and open places has also been ordered wherever the visit becomes far beyond the ordinary capacity of carriage.

The Diwan Saheb has sanctioned Rs. 2,500 for carrying out extra surface cleanliness in the current and next month. It is understood that pressure will be applied to the numerous owners of brick, tile and chunam kilns in the city and suburbs to accept rules beyond the city precincts by ordering a temporary suspension of kiln-firing as they have proved very refractory towards the Municipal authorities. His Highness the Maharaja we learn is anxious to have this blot removed from his town though many localities have been removed in the present decade. The difficulty is want of sufficient funds. The conservancy and watering contractors are heavily fined to keep them up to the mark. The orders re road-watering are that they should not be very profusely watered, while entire dryness is also prohibited. Bathings of Municipal establishments are often held in which the Municipal Commissioner devotes several hours in instructing his subordinates on the various heads of their function in connection with the dreaded introduction of the plague. All arrivals from Bombay and other infected places are examined at the railway stations before they are allowed to leave the platform. The Municipal officials note down where they propose putting up, and the Zillah officials pay daily visits to places where the strangers have put up, and immediately report all cases of illness among them, or the indigenous inmates to the medical authorities. Cases of plague illness are then segregated whereas the house undergo thorough disinfection and the infected clothes are burnt. Matters in Baroda city are not so grave as to render compulsory segregation of all arrivals necessary. Neither have the camp authorities taken recourse to this measure. Segregation huts have been meanwhile sanctioned by his Highness' Government for thirty-five different towns throughout the Gaekwary territory. The municipal authorities are rather doubtful as to the safety of opening out the closed private cesspools of such a juncture as the present, and probably some innocuous method may be adopted to keep them harmless till the plague passes away. It is reported at Baroda that should any indigenous plague cases appear it is probable that the Municipal Commissioner will apply for the assistance of a large number of superior supervising officials and adequate gangs of laborers and artisans, for the existing staff cannot but be inadequate for the unforeseen emergency. The hopes, however, are still not extinct that with the present municipal vigilance Baroda city may escape as it has hitherto.

PARSEE HOSPITAL AT BANDORA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—Mr. B. M. Malabari of Bandora, has kindly undertaken to assist the Bandora Municipality in finding a house where Parsees suffering from plague can be sent to in Bandora, and he will also assist in getting Parsees, suffering from the plague to go to such a house and in segregating those Parsees who have resided in infected houses. The Parsees in Bandora will therefore oblige me by putting themselves in communication with Mr. B. M. Malabari when they hear of a case of plague amongst their community. There are several cases of plague amongst Parsees in Bandora.

I hope that it will not be necessary to put in force the string at provisions of the new Act 3 of 1897 amongst the Parsees in Bandora, and I appeal to that community specially to help me.

Another temporary hospital for Christians and Hindus will be built as soon as possible in the fields near Khar. The Reverend Mother at the Bandora Convent has been good enough to offer the services of 2 of the Sisters (trained nurses) to take charge of such a hospital.

I fear that some time will elapse before I get a contractor to build these sheds, as Dr. Gonsalves finds great difficulty in getting persons who will undertake the work at once.

Sheds for the Mahomedan sick will be erected at once near Nagpada. These will be managed by the Mahomedans themselves, and sheds will be built for the relatives of the sick close by. The Moulvie at Nagpada has consented to take charge of these sheds. Mahomedans will please communicate with him.—Yours, &c.,

REGD. GILBERT,
President, Bandora Municipality.

INCONVENIENCES AT THANA.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—On account of my Bombay residence being in a plague-stricken centre I have taken up my temporary abode with my family at Thana. But owing to my duties I have to come to Bombay every morning and return late in the evenings. The inconveniences of such journeys in crowded railway cars, great as they are, are very much aggravated by the very dilatory and somewhat ludicrous method of examining passengers in force at the Thana station. In the evenings there is always an immense crush of men, women, and children at the platform, which is suggestive of the Black Hole. All the exits on the station are closed except one door, only half of which is open, through which one by one the passengers are allowed to wriggle out after his pulse has been felt and declared to be sound and free from any suspicion of the plague. This system causes great delay, and for business people is a great nuisance. The congestion of passengers at the platform could be easily relieved by throwing open more passages than one. This might be deemed unnecessary as regards the genuine, but no great expense need be incurred for examining passengers for the detection of plague cases. Ordinary warders could be in less than fifteen minutes taught at the Arthur Road Hospital how to diagnose plague cases, or at least how to detect a clear case of plague. Such cases when suspected could be detained and submitted for final examination to experienced doctors. Daily passengers who travel up and down should be exempted from physical examination. Then I am told there is a compulsory segregation in force at Thana in this respect; people are far better off in Bombay; for if plague patients have relatives to look after them they are left undisturbed whilst in Thana they are to be isolated from their relatives. The very thought of this is extremely repulsive to the Hindu mind, and Indian mothers and wives would prefer to die rather than forsake their children or their husbands in their dying moments. I hope the authorities in whatever measures they take will not ignore the concessions that are to be made in favour of caste customs and manners and religious traditions. A reward of one rupee is offered to any one who may give information regarding a plague case. There is also a notification which requires the immediate vacation of the premises in which any plague cases should have occurred. In this respect, undoubtedly, the hardship is far greater that in Bombay.—Yours, &c.,

Thana, Feb. 19. A REFUGEE.

DISINFECTION OF RAILWAY CARRIAGES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—Allow me through the medium of your Journal to suggest for the consideration of the Railway authorities the desirability of washing the floors of all 2nd and 3rd class carriages at each terminus before starting the trains (through as well as local) and of sprinkling disinfectants therein. Those who travel daily by these two classes when fully crammed by all sorts and conditions of men and their kit in all stages of unsleanliness and filth, can alone realize the effects of the malodour pervading these cars. A small quantity of disinfectants in each compartment, renewed as often as possible, would be a great help in the cause of public health in these disgusting times. Another suggestion I would venture to make is that Railway policeman, especially as out-stations, should be made to show some ordinary consideration to the poor third class passengers who flock to the platforms like sheep. These ignorant, half-clad people, in the agony of flight from famine and pestilence, who need the guidance of a shepherd, often find in these sepoys and porters so many wolves to add to their fears!—Yours, &c., N. M. LUNGRANA.

Octagonal Cottage, Bandora.

HOUSES IN THE UNJER BAUGH.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—With reference to the editorial which appeared this morning in a Guzarathi paper regarding the destruction of 40 out of a cluster of 150 huts in the Unjier Baug by the municipal authorities, nothing of the kind has been contemplated.—Yours, &c.,

MUNCHERSHAW FRAMJI, M.P.S.

Feb. 19.

POONA.

The City Municipal office returns for the 24 hours ended, at 8 a.m., on Thursday, show the following results:—

Imported	0
Local	6

Paths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Shaswar	1	1
Sukerwar	1	1
Raviwar	4	4
Total...	6	6
Total up to date.....	209	193

The Suburban Municipal office returns for the above 24 hours show the following results:—

Imported	1
Local	0

Locality.	Cases.	Deaths.
Plague Hospital.....	1	2
Total up to date	209	143

One Liparotta case of Raja Pirajirao, a Kunbi, who was admitted at the plague hospital on 15th instant, was discharged cured.—*Herald.*

KARACHI.

The returns up to noon on 15th instant show 38 fresh cases and 31 deaths. The totals now are: 1,514 cases and 1,405 deaths.

The highest mortality is still among the Mahomedans, and at the Lyari. The last records of the Gardens' deaths. The quarters first infected are now showing the lowest death-rate. They are almost desolate and are cleaner than ever they were. The weather is warm but windy, and the slight improvement on the 12th has not been maintained.

Friday has been set apart as a day of special prayer for the stoppage of the plague.

PILGRIMS AND THE PLAGUE

SOME IMPORTANT FACTS.

As there is every indication that the scheme for embarking the Mecca pilgrims and diamond Harbour is to be persisted in by the Government an *Englishman* representative set himself to find out its probable effect in certain directions. As to the inevitable effect upon the trade of the port there can be no possible doubt. As it is Madras and Calcutta are practically trading ports on sufferance, and it is only requires to be known that they have been made ports of pilgrim embarkation to ensure their being placed under an embargo similar to that of Bombay and the whole of India practically cut of from the trading world. Bale o this is consummated however, the voice of the mercantile community of this city will have been raised in vehement protest, and such a protest cannot be lightly disregarded. But there are other interests and likely to be vitally affected by this incomprehensible scheme of the Government, and chief among them is that of coolie emigration. As is well known thousands of coolies are shipped every year from Calcutta alone for various British colonies, and it was to ascertain the probable effect upon these activities of the Diamond Harbour embarkation scheme that the Englishman representative waited upon three of the Emigration Agents appointed by the Colonial Office. The facts which were elicited will speak for themselves, and doubtless will occasion some little surprise.

PILGRIM SHEDS AT GARDEN REACH.

Mr. Warner, the Agent for Trinidad, was first interviewed, and he gave his opinions. Application had been made to him for the use of his coolie lines at Garden Reach for the pilgrims, but he had refused them. He felt that he had the interests of his colony to study and that the risk of infection was too great. He had, therefore, emphatically declined.

In reply to the question whether there were any coolies waiting for shipment, Mr. Warner said he had none at present, the season not to begin due until June. Last year there were about 4,000 coolies sent down for shipment of whom about 3,000 were actually shipped.

Then you think the risks of infection being carried here are extremely great?

Certainly, seeing that every pilgrim has to take his ticket from Bombay. This is nothing less than placing a premium upon plague spreading.

But then arrangements may be made for getting the sick sea elsewhere, at the place of embarkation, for instance?

True, but you still permit the people to come freely from plague-infected areas. As you know, the infection is spread in clothes and even in rags, and how are you to prevent the people from these areas communicating it to the others? Segregation won't accomplish it.

PEREMPTORY ORDERS FROM NATAL.

Mr. Mitchell, the Agent for Natal and British Guiana, was next seen, and he said that he had already received a telegram from Natal telling him to at once stop all coolie emigration if plague breaks out in Calcutta. Instructions have also been received by him from British Guiana to the effect that he is not to recruit coolies within 300 miles of any place where there has been an outbreak of plague. Of course, this does not mean where there has been a sporadic case, but where it is epidemic.

PILGRIMS AND COOLIES.

The third and last gentleman interviewed was Mr. Steward. He confirmed Mr. Warner and Mr. Mitchell as to the application by Government for the use of his coolie depot. As, however, he had some 800 coolies bound for Fiji then in the depot he declined to arrange for the pilgrims. Seeing that there was at least half a lakh at stake in expenses already incurred for the recruiting of these coolies and that had one case of plague broken out at the depot entailing the rejection of the whole lot by the colony and involving a further loss of £3 000, Mr. Stewarts refusal is not wondered at. Again, as this is just the height of the recruiting season and other batches are being negotiated for the far reaching extent of the results of a plague outbreak can be seen. As it is, without plague being imported the probabilities are all on the side of coolie prohibition, and much better pilgrim prohibition on all grounds. From these statements it will be apparent that a very strong feeling indeed exists on all sides against the Government scheme and once more the gravity of its probable, nay almost inevitable results must be urged upon them ere it is too late.

THE CAREW CASE.

MURDER BY A WIFE.

THE trial of Mrs. Carew, at Yokohama, on the charge of murdering her husband there by administering arsenic to him has come to a close by a verdict of guilty. The case presented many startling phases which kept the public interest keenly alive.

THE HOUSEHOLD.

The deceased, Walter Raymond Hallowell Carew married his wife, Edith May Hallowell Porch in 1889. The deceased was then in the Government Service in the Straits Settlements and Sungei Ujong. In 1891, he resigned his appointment on account of ill health, and came to Yokohama, where he was appointed Secretary of the Yokohama United Club, a post which he retained until the time of his death. Since their arrival at Yokohama, two children were born to them a boy and a girl. About the month of May last year, Miss Mary Esther Jacob, who had been chosen by Mrs. Carew's friends in England, came out as nursery governess to take charge of the children. Mrs. Carew's brother, Mr. Reginald Colman Porch, came out to Yokohama some time ago and lived with his sister and brother-in-law. Of these persons, the household of the deceased consisted in October last and had so consisted for some time previous—that is Mr. and Mrs. Carew, the two children, Miss Jacob and Mr. Porch. The servants were:—Rachael Greer, a Eurasian girl, who was Mrs. Carew's maid; a Japanese girl; a young Chinese boy; a cook; besides a coolie; and a small boy who assisted in the stables. From the arrival of Mr. and Mrs. Carew in Yokohama, Dr. Wheeler was their family doctor, and their regular medical attendant until the time of Mr. Carew's death on the 22nd of October last. Dr. Wheeler looked upon him as a healthy man; perhaps given to too good living, and sometimes drinking more than was good for him—but on occasions only.

MR. CAREW'S ILLNESS AND DEATH.

All that time, Mr. Carew complained occasionally of his liver and Dr. Wheeler treated him for it. In 1893, he had stricture, and two doctors, Baelz and Munro, took him under treatment, but Dr. Wheeler knew nothing of it. On the 10th October last, Dr. Wheeler gave Mrs. Carew a prescription for Fowler's solution of arsenic for her own use as a tonic. The prescription was filled for her the next day. Arsenic is a deadly poison, but may be taken medicinally in small doses, usually in the form of this Fowler's solution. Half an ounce of it and upwards mean a deadly dose, which may kill in twenty-four hours. Smaller doses only require to be taken frequently to have fatal effect. On the next day, Mr. Carew again complained of his liver to Dr. Wheeler, who prescribed it for him. On the 13th, Mrs Carew asked Dr. Wheeler to come and see her husband. The Doctor came and advised him to take low diet and to stay at home for a few days. Mr. Carew complained of being weak and out of sorts. He went home that day, and never left it until at the point of death, a week afterwards. His illness increased daily with irritability of stomach and vomiting, and Dr. Wheeler treated him for liver complaint. On the 18th Mrs. Carew procured another bottle of Fowler's solution. On the 19th, deceased got worse, and Dr. Wheeler treated him for bile. On that day there was purchased at Maruya's dispensary an ounce bottle of Fowler's solution by a lady who gave the name of Carew. Mrs. Carew denied ever making this purchase. On the 20th, deceased got worse still with symptoms which puzzled Dr. Wheeler, who consulted another doctor. They decided that it was a bilious attack, and gave the deceased morphia. On that day Mrs. Carew got an ounce of Fowler's solution from Maruya upon a written order. On the 21st Dr. Wheeler was still more puzzled by the deceased's symptoms. On that day Mrs. Carew wrote an order for an ounce of Fowler's solution which Miss Jacob obtained and handed to her, and, on the same day, Mrs Carew ordered and obtained from Schede's dispensary half an ounce of Fowler's solution. On the 22nd Dr Wheeler found the deceased so much worse, that he ordered his immediate removal to hospital. The deceased died there that evening. Mrs. Carew then sent for Dr. Wheeler and told him that the deceased suffered from stricture, and had been in the habit of taking arsenic. Dr. Wheeler upon this expressed surprise that she had not told him of this earlier. Till then he never knew of arsenic having been taken by the deceased.

THE INQUEST.

On the 23rd a post-mortem examination was made by Dr. Wheeler and Dr. Todd at the hospital, but no organic disease was discovered. The interior of the stomach and the intestines were sent to Dr. Divers who discovered traces of arsenic therein especially in the liver, enough to show that large quantities of it must have been administered. Dr. Divers reached the conclusion that the deceased had died of arsenic poisoning. An inquest followed and testimony to this purport was taken. Mrs. Carew gave evidence that she had lived happily with her husband, and that they had differences on money matters only. She stated that her husband was in the habit of taking arsenic, and that Dr. Baelz had prescribed arsenic for him. She also made the following statement:—"I was frequently in the habit during the early part of our married life of giving to my husband doses of arsenic, as I latterly he would take it without measuring it, and has been in the habit of doing so for some time. She said that a woman named Annie Luke, on intimate terms with her husband, had sought to see the latter in his last illness, and had written threatening letters to him, her, and Dr. Baelz. The letters were produced at the inquest, and one of them contained the admission that the writer had murdered Mr. Carew. The inquest closed with an open verdict.

ARREST OF MRS. CAREW.

Shortly afterwards, a warrant issued against Mrs. Carew on the charge of murdering her husband, and evidence in support was taken in the Consular Court. The most sensational testimony was that given by Miss Jacob. She had reason to believe that letters for her had been kept back by Mrs. Carew. She searched Mrs. Carew's waste paper basket and found fragments of letters in the handwriting of Mr. Dickinson a friend of the Carew family, addressed to Mrs. Carew. She stitched the fragments together and kept them. These stitched letters were produced at the Consular Court. They proved to be love letters from Mr. Dickinson to Mrs Carew. These letters may be characterised as letters which no modest woman would retain and no guilty one would accept from anyman whatever. These documents showed that she lived unhappily with her husband, and meditated getting a divorce from him. The examination at the Consular Court results in Mrs. Carew being committed for trial on the charge of murdering her husband by poison.

THE TRIAL.

The trial began at Yokohama on the 5th January before Mr. Justice Mowat and a jury. On the charge being read, the prisoner pleaded not guilty with a clear voice. Mr. Lowder defended her. Mr. Wilkinson appeared on behalf of the Crown with Mr. Litchfield the Crown Prosecutor. After Mr. Wilkinson had stated the case for the Crown, in which allusion was made to the probable identity of Mrs. Carew with Annie Luke, medical evidence was called. Dr. Wheeler testified to treating deceased for liver complaint in his last illness, and stated that his symptoms were not inconsistent with the theory of arsenical poisoning. He had the deceased removed to hospital on his suspicions being aroused by receiving a communication from a Mr. Dunlop which suggested the likelihood of arsenical poisoning. Dr. May testified to the death of deceased in hospital from irritant poison. Dr. Divers, who made the post-mortem, gave evidence that the poison was arsenic and that it could not have been self-administered. Dr. Munro testified that he attended the deceased for stricture in 1893, but never prescribed arsenic to him. The deceased said he had taken arsenic for stricture. Apothecaries then gave evidence as to supplying Fowler's solution to the Carew family. On the 26th Mrs. Carew's evidence at the inquest was read.

ARREST OF MISS JACOB.

On the 11th, Mr. Lowder brought up Miss Jacob before H. B. M.'s Court for Japan on the charge of murdering Mr. Carew. The charge rested on the allegation that Miss Jacob and Annie Luke were identical, that Miss Jacob wrote the letters bearing that signature, and that the handwriting of the letters and Miss Jacob's handwriting were alike. In that case she stands self-convicted of the murder. Evidence was then called, including that of Rachael Grier who testified to seeing Miss Jacob practising Mrs. Carew's handwriting. Mrs. Carew then gave evidence regarding the personality of Annie Luke, and said that she had never observed any impropriety between Miss Jacob and her husband. Ultimately Miss Jacob's case was postponed to the 5th instant.

MRS. CAREW'S TRIAL RESUMED.

On the 12th, Mrs. Carew's trial was resumed. Her evidence at the inquest was read to a conclusion, after which evidence was led as to the purchases of arsenic at dispensaries. On the 13th Mr. Dickinson gave evidence and explained the nature of his letters in support of his letters to Mrs. Carew which he had compelled her to burn. He had given her consolation and sympathy under the belief that her husband had ill treated her. She told him of the ill treatment, which believed is true, but now he did not believe it. He had never suggested divorce to her, and had never purposed to marry her. On the 14th Elsa Christoffel a Swiss nurse, was called and testified to advising Miss Jacob to stitch together the fragments of Mr. Dickinson's letters. She assigned the following reason for this:—"In case it should be known that people went down to 199, Mr. Carew's house, not in the form of house friends, possibly a false stain might be brought up against my friend. In that case these letters should be a conclusive proof to the contrary." On the 18th an expert testified that the handwriting of the "Annie Luke" letters bore a marked resemblance to that of Mrs. Carew and none whatever to that of Miss Jacob. Other evidence followed, and the case for the prosecution practically closed on the 20th.

THE DEFENCE

Mr. Lowder then opened for the defence, and was to call twenty-one witnesses. Mr. Lowders' address concluded with a peroration, suggesting that Miss Jacob personated the prisoner at Maruya's dispensary, where the arsenic was bought.

THE VERDICT

Then, after a trial lasting nearly a month the jury, on Feb. found Mrs. Crew guilty of murdering her husband Sentence of death was then passed.

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FEMININE FACTS AND FANCIES.

SOME ladies have begun to carry out the rather pretty notion of having a guest-book in their houses. A dainty little book, with a lead pencil attached, is laid in a convenient place, and every guest is asked to place his or her name in it, with the date of their visit.

At an afternoon tea the other day two young ladies washed up the cups and saucers right out before folks. It gave them such a sweet domestic air that the men were quite fascinated, visions of home and hearth stones, warm slippers, wifey and meet-me-at-the door-with-a-kiss, and it that sort of thing being conjured up.

Miss Winnifred Emery (Mrs. Cyril Maude) tells an interviewer that, notwithstanding the eight performances a week at present, and all the busy details of her theatrical life she does all her own housekeeping managing the maids and all her social affairs just the same as if she had no great art to fill her thoughts and encroach upon her time.

An eye-specialist says it is within the experience of every ophthalmologist that the wearing of veils is productive weak eyesight, headaches, and sometimes vertigo and nausea. Not only are these effects produced by the eye-strain consequent upon the increased efforts made by one or both eyes to see through or around an obstruction, but the irregular figuring on the veil itself is in some instances an annoyance to the wearer.

The fashion of wearing one's diamond ornaments on the back instead of the front of theatre toilets is said to be coming into favour. It is quite the custom now to use one's richests jewelled pins to fasten the collars behind to hold them down firmly, or to pretend to, in order to give excuse for wearing the precious stone where they can be seen for it used in the usual way only the two persons who sit beside you can view them, all the others having their back to you.

A gentleman has recently expressed admiration of the delicacy and skill with which a lady dentist in New York treated him. He believes that lady dentists will in future be numerous, for timid people, he surmises, will more readily consent to be operated on by a pretty, tasteful, and expert woman than an awe-inspiring individual such as are many male specialists. "Her touch was exquisitely soft," he relates, "and I was more than sorry when the operation was completed." Lady dentists are springing up like mushrooms in America.

An attempt is being made to introduce a new dance this winter. It goes with a musical composition known as the "Washington Post." The music is very pretty, and was heard throughout the London season when any of the great bands played; but it appears to be reserved for the country to bring it into vogue for dancing. It is in its way unique. Those who take part in it start in couples, not face to face but one behind the other, touching each other's hands with arms fully outstretched, the right higher than the left. The step is quite easy, and accords well with the music; a glissade twice over, each way, and then on again. The draw-back is that a trained dress is apt to be trodden on.

"I believe a woman barber who made a specialty of cutting children's hair would get rich," writes a lady. "The mothers of little ones in particular are often really desperate trying to find a place where their darlings may be shorn without being disfigured. The ordinary barber transforms a pretty child into a monkey-faced-looking creature with his stupidity and shears. A woman who would equip herself, set up in a shop, decorate it with pictures and photographs of children whose hair had been cut in different and becoming styles, so as to assist customers in deciding what would be suitable, would do a thriving business and be a benefactor into the bargain.

The theatrical craze has broken out again very severely this winter. Everywhere one goes private theatricals are the order of the day. Good nopes may be entertained, too, that this revival of an old craze may not be as fleeting as some fashionable fancies have been of recent years for the reason, that those who have entered into it have apparently done so con amore and not by any means for the mere sake of notoriety. What is more, it is a curious fact that amateur actors and actresses appear to be specially talented nowadays so that private theatricals are robbed of many of their former terrors. Whether or not this sudden revelation of histrionic talent in high places will lead to a permanent recruiting for the stage proper among younger sons and pretty daughters of distinguished families remains to be seen.

The faces of the women one passes in the street form a curious and too often, a saddening study One woman purses up her lips another screws her eyes into unnaturalness while a third will wrinkle up her forehead and eyebrows until she looks absolutely ugly The trick is an unconscious one but it is none the less a trick and a bad one. There is no reason why a woman should look forbidding and bad tempered just because she is annoyed about something. Deep-seated trubls has a way of writing itself upon the face whether we will or not. Sickness, too, has its own handwriting and will not be concealed by art. But the frown caused by superficial troubles should not be entertained by the face for an instant. We should strive to look as pleasant as possible for the sake of others a corresponding cheerfulness of temperament will inevitably result and always to the sweetening of our nature. We cannot afford to go about with gloomy faces.

"The well-dressed woman just has to dig out her costume days by patience and work," says a lady, who is herself noted for the taste displayed in her toilette. "The chief stumbling-block of an ill dressed woman is laziness, or, at least the reluctance to alter again and again until a costume suits. Any woman may be well dressed who tries hard enough and long enough. Money is no guarantee. Artistic instinct is not an absolute necessity. To dress becomingly one must take infinite pains, which, after all, amounts to genius. If the dressmaker puts a blacka collar on your dress and you find it unbecoming make her take it off and put on a white collar; if it is still unbecoming, try another material; change cloth for velvet, or velvet for lace. Be particular about any little dip in a seam; if a hook is ever seen it is out of line, and must be taken off and sewn on accurately. These things go far toward a satisfactory effect. I believe, to begin with, of course, that good materials are more effective than much trimming. A woman should let her individuality come out in her dress, keeping always a relationship to the prevailing fashion. Few women can go through the gamut of effects and find all equally becoming. I do not believe in placing blind confidence in the dress-maker. The best of them cannot do for a woman what she herself can discover with sufficient trying."

Women who ride bicycles should make it a law with themselves never to ride after a feeling of weariness comes over them," said a well-known physician recently. "For those who are beginning, especially, and in a measure for all women, there is a great danger in over-doing. Some women ride centuries, it is true, but they are men in strength. No ordinary woman should start out before knowing how far she is going. Ordinarily, though, they ride twice as far as they ought. They start out and ride away from home until they get tired. Then they have to ride back, getting more and more exhausted with every turn of the wheels. No ordinary woman, who rides once or twice a week, should go more than ten miles at a trip. That is perhaps an hour's ride, which may easily be extended to an hour and a-quarter before that distance is covered; and if she does not feel fresh and in a glow when she stops, she may be certain that she has ridden too long. Naturally there is a healthy tired feeling which any one recognises after athletic exercise, but it is quite different from, and never to be mistaken for, the weariness which comes of too much exertion and straining of the nerves and muscles. Very few woman have ever been injured on a bicycle who kept to this rule, and limited their riding to normal distances.

If any woman ever deserved well of her country, the lady in question is a Viennese who has just been described by Dr. Alois Valenta in the Wiener Medicinische Wochenschrift. Her merits consist in her having given many more subjects and soldiers to the Emperor than any one of his female subjects. It goes without saying that she is poor. As a matter of fact she is the wife of a needy linen-weaver of Neuerchenfeld in Vienna, and, if she did not give her husband a big marriage portion, she presented him with no less than thirty-two children, and she is still comparatively young being only in her fortieth year. She has been the mother of twenty-six boys and six girls. The births of the thirty-two children occurred in this wise, and in the following order:—At the first birth were born four; at the second, three, at the third, four; at the fourth, two; at the fifth, three; at the sixth, two; at the seventh, three; at the eighth, three; at the ninth, two; at the tenth, three; and at the eleventh, three. The mother nursed all her children herself. Another strange fact of the case is that the mother suffered from her fifteenth year weekly, and sometimes daily, from epileptic fits which so far have not been inherited by the children. She herself, too, was one of four at a birth, and her maternal parent in her time succeeded in presenting her spouse with no less than thirty-eight children. But what about the unfortunate fathers?

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"Why, Horace, you must be crazy! It's as filthy as it can be."

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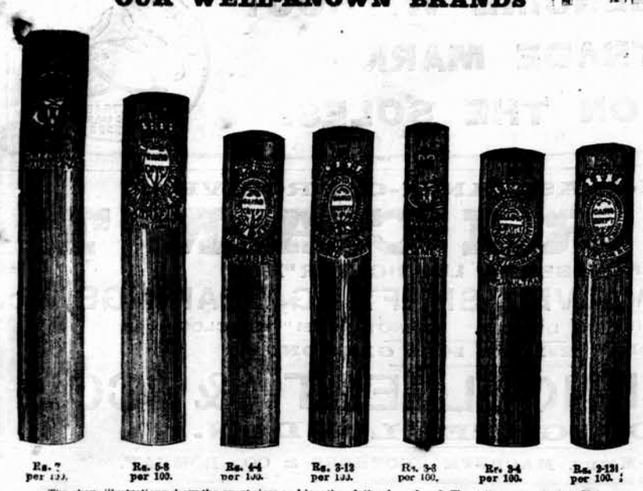

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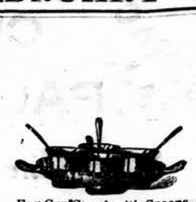

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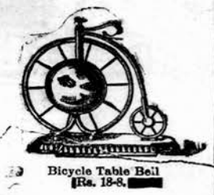

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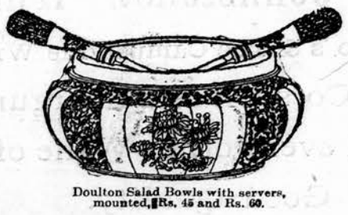

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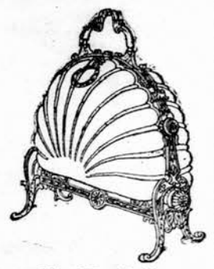

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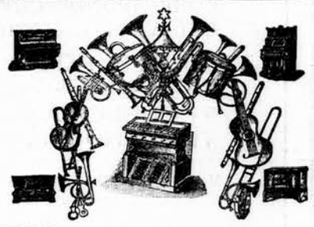

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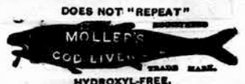

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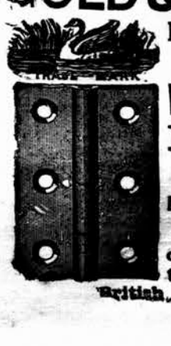

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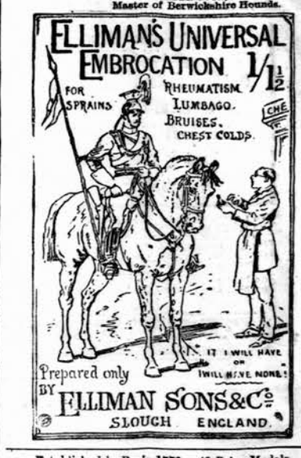

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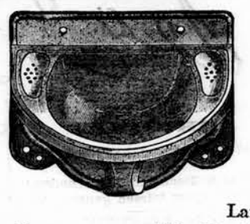

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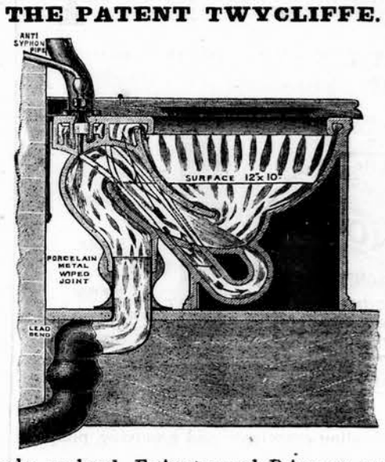

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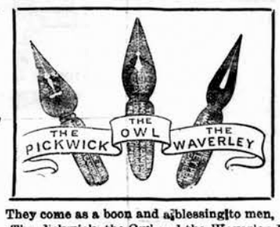

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